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CRISIS IN IRAQ

Iraqi president names deputy speaker new prime minister

The Associated Press

BAGHDAD — Iraq's new president on Monday snubbed the powerful incumbent Prime Minister Nouri al-Maliki and nominated the deputy parliament speaker to form the new government, raising fears of more infighting in the government as country faces the threat of Sunni militants in the north.

In a televised address Fouad Massoum gave Haider al-Abadi, who was selected by a coalition of Shiite political parties, 30 days to form a new government and present it to parliament for approval.

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The ceremony came hours after the embattled al-Maliki delivered a surprise speech at midnight, accusing Massoum of blocking his reappointment as prime minister and carrying out "a coup against the constitution and the political process."

Al-Maliki's Dawa party then issued a televised statement rejecting the new nominee, saying he did not have the support of the party. "Al-Abadi represents only himself," said party spokesman Khalaf Abdul-Samad surrounded by stone-faced party members, including al-Maliki.

Al-Abadi, who pledged to form a government to "protect the Iraqi people," was nominated for the post by the Iraqi National Alliance, a coalition of Shiite parties that includes al-Maliki's.

The powerful Shiite cleric, Muqtada al-Sadr, whose movement controls dozens of seats in parliament, expressed his support for al-Abadi's nomination, describing it as the "first sign" the country was headed back to safety.

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HADI MIZBAN/AP

Iraqis chant pro-government slogans and wave national flags to show support for ousted Prime Minister Nouri al-Maliki during a demonstration in Baghdad on Monday.

RETURN TO THE HANOI HILTON

POW back in Vietnam
in search of closure

By PAUL ALEXANDER
Stars and Stripes

HANOI, Vietnam — North Vietnam wasn't on many Americans' radar until President Lyndon B. Johnson went on radio 50 years ago to tell them about the Gulf of Tonkin incident, a naval clash off the coast of the Southeast Asian nation that escalated U.S. involvement there.

The next day, Aug. 5, 1964, American bombers were pounding targets in the communist country. Anti-aircraft fire hit a Navy Skyhawk piloted by Everett Alvarez Jr. near Hong Gai.

Alvarez ejected and was captured. First held nearby, he was transferred to Hanoi on Aug. 12, becoming the first U.S. prisoner of war to be taken to the Hoa Lo prison.

For seven months, Alvarez was the only POW there. Then other aviators trickled in until the cells were crowded.

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QUOTE OF THE DAY

"If in fact she did call him the devil, it's secondary to the fact that he proved to be either the devil or a close relative."

— Carole Harper, attorney for Marlene Pinnock, describing the California Highway Patrol officer who straddled Pinnock and repeatedly punched her head on the side of a Los Angeles freeway

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Auto shipping complaints on rise

By ADAM L. MATHIS
Stars and Stripes

RAF MILDENHALL, England — U.S. Air Force Col. Rondall Rice did not expect to finish his military career with a monthlong quest to find his wife's car, which he turned over to a government contractor for shipping from Germany to the United States on May 16.

At the end of June, he inquired with the company, International Auto Logistics, about the status of the car, but it would be another month before he could pick it up.

Rice is not alone. Hundreds of individuals have reported problems with shipping cars as part of their permanent change of station moves since International Auto Logistics took over the Defense Department contract in May from American Auto.

Military Surface Deployment and Distribution Command, a Defense Department agency that assists with the movement of personal goods, estimates it has received 250 complaints between May and the latter part of July.

"In my opinion, they've got to do better," said U.S. Navy Capt. Aaron Stanley, a director at SDDC. "Our customers deserve the highest level of support and that level of support is not being provided presently and it needs to get there."

International did not immediately respond to a question about what is causing the delays. However, Amanda Nunez, a spokeswoman for the company, said



ADAM L. MATHIS/Stars and Stripes

International Auto Logistics opened new vehicle processing centers, like this one in Mildenhall, England, when it took over the contract in May to ship servicemembers' vehicles.

International has delivered thousands of vehicles on time.

"However, the record-setting volume of requests in June and July has caused delays," Nunez wrote in an email. "On-time delivery will improve going forward."

Stanley noted that about 40 percent of the year's vehicle shipment moves occur between May 15 and August. International also took possession of about 8,000 vehicles in storage when it assumed control of the contract, he said.

"With any company, there are going to be instances where the required delivery isn't met, but it shouldn't be to the magnitude that they're experiencing it now," Stanley said. "So I completely understand and empathize with the frustrations that [customers are] encountering."

The SDDC is directing anyone whose vehicle delivery is late to call International at 855-389-9499,

or visit the company's website, pc-smypov.com, according to a press release.

"My car could be lost. It could be at the bottom of the ocean. It could have been stolen and some Somali pirate might be driving it in Mogadishu."

Col. Rondall Rice
U.S. Air Force

Robles and her husband lost track of a Ford F-150 for a while

in the International system. Robles, who has posted her experiences online and spoke to Stars and Stripes, said her husband was told the truck was ready for pickup on Aug. 3 in Hawaii. When he arrived, officials told him the truck was lost.

International has since located the truck, which is now either en route to or in Los Angeles, Robles said Friday. She did credit International with helping them get a rental car and for staying in touch. However, Robles found officials expected them to do a lot of the legwork to get answers about the location of their truck.

"My husband was given very vague answers, a shrug of the shoulders, literally, and telling him they had no idea what they could do for us," Robles said. "If they could have just given us straight answers, if they did the legwork themselves, it would have made the transition easier and less stressful."

Rice had delivered his wife's car in Germany on May 16. Rice said that when he inquired with International about the car's status, he had no confidence that the company even knew where it was.

"My car could be lost. It could be at the bottom of the ocean," Rice said. "It could have been stolen and some Somali pirate might be driving it in Mogadishu."

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Marines can weigh in on female hairstyle regulations

By JON HARPER
Stars and Stripes

WASHINGTON — Following a directive by the secretary of defense, the Marine Corps is reconsidering its female hairstyle regulations and wants Marines to weigh in on the issue.

The Marine Corps Uniform Board released a survey Monday to get feedback about whether two banned hairstyles for women — dreadlocks and twists — should be allowed.

Specifically, Marines will be asked whether they agree with

the following preliminary recommendations by a special working group:

- Continue to prohibit the wear of dread (dreadlock) hairstyles.
- Authorize the wear of the twist hairstyles in uniform for medium- and long-length hair as long as they conform with basic regulations for multiple braid hair.

The brief survey can be taken until Friday at <https://www.manpower.usmc.mil/application> by selecting the Special Marine Corps Uniform Board: Female Hairstyle Regulations Survey. Female and

male Marines in the active duty and reserves can participate.

Secretary of Defense Chuck Hagel's review order, directed to all the services, came earlier this year after an outcry by some soldiers and members of the Congressional Black Caucus, who claimed that Army regulations governing troops' hairstyles were racist and unfairly targeted black women.

The Army countered the accusations. In a statement, spokeswoman Lt. Col. Alayne Conway said female black soldiers were

involved in developing the hair standards, and the effort was led by a black woman.

In the news release Monday, the Marine Corps said the working group found its current hairstyle regulations to be "non-discriminatory."

The uniform board will make formal recommendations to the commandant about expanding the list of acceptable female hairstyles after reviewing the findings of the group and the survey results.

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Kurdish demonstrators gather in front of the White House in Washington on Saturday. For years, Kurdish officials have beseeched the Obama administration to let them buy U.S. weapons.

US sending arms to Kurds

By LOLITA C. BALDOR
AND JULIE PACE
The Associated Press

SYDNEY — The Obama administration has begun directly providing weapons to Kurdish forces who have started to make gains against Islamic militants in northern Iraq, senior U.S. officials said Monday.

Previously, the U.S. had insisted on selling arms only to the Iraqi government in Baghdad, but the Kurdish peshmerga fighters have been losing ground to Islamic State militants in recent weeks.

The officials wouldn't say which U.S. agency is providing the arms or what weapons are being sent, but one official said it isn't the Pentagon. The CIA has historically done similar quiet arming operations.

The officials spoke on condition of anonymity because they were not authorized to discuss the operation publicly.

The move to directly aid the Kurds underscores the level of U.S. concern about the Islamic State militants' gains in the north, and reflects the persistent administration view that the Iraqis must take the necessary steps to solve their own security problems.

To bolster that effort, the administration is also very close to approving plans for the Pentagon to arm the Kurds, a senior official said. In recent days, the U.S. military has been helping facilitate weapons deliveries from the Iraqis to the Kurds, providing logistic assistance and transportation to the north.

The State Department sought to downplay the significance of the apparent shift in U.S. policy.

The militants have "obtained some heavy weaponry, and the Kurds need additional arms, and we're providing those — there's nothing new here," said department spokeswoman Jen Psaki.

She said the U.S. was working with Baghdad to speed up deliveries of "badly needed arms" to Kurdish forces in the north. The



HASAN JAMALI/AP

A U.S. F/A-18 fighter jet takes off for Iraq from the flight deck of the USS George H.W. Bush in the Persian Gulf on Monday.

Iraqi government, she said, "has made deliveries from its own stocks, and we are working to do the same."

The additional assistance comes as Kurdish forces on Sunday took back two towns from the Islamic insurgents, aided in part by U.S. airstrikes in the region.

The successes, however, were balanced out by news of a defeat in the far eastern Diyala province, where Kurdish forces were driven out of the town of Jhalula after fierce fighting against Sunni militants.

The militants blasted their way into the town at midnight using a truck bomb and followed up with several suicide bombers on foot, said a police officer and an army official, adding that at least 14 Kurdish fighters were killed.

Officials describing the developments spoke on condition of

anonymity because they were not authorized to speak to the press. President Barack Obama authorized the airstrikes to protect U.S. interests and personnel in the region, including at facilities in Irbil as well as Yazidi refugees fleeing militants.

U.S. Defense Secretary Chuck Hagel, speaking to reporters here, said the airstrikes "have been very effective from all the reports that we've received on the ground." He declined to detail how or when the U.S. might expand its assistance to Iraq, or if military assessment teams currently in Baghdad would be moving to a more active role advising the Iraqi forces.

"We're going to continue to support the Iraqi security forces in every way that we can as they request assistance there," Hagel said during a press conference with Australian Defense Minister David Johnston.

Iraq: US encouraged by government developments

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"I think that this nomination will be an important start in order to end the crisis that the people are undergoing such as security and service problems," he said in a statement.

Al-Ibadi is a British-educated lawmaker with a background in electrical engineering and a member of al-Maliki's Islamic Dawa party. He has been closely involved in previous governments.

Critics say al-Maliki, a Shiite, has contributed to the crisis facing the country by monopolizing power and pursuing a sectarian agenda that alienated the country's Sunni and Kurdish minorities.

Al-Ibadi's nomination came hours after al-Maliki deployed his elite security forces in the streets of Baghdad, partially closed two main streets — popular spots for pro- and anti-government rallies — as hundreds of his supporters took to the streets, raising fears that he might use force to stay in power.

"We are with you, al-Maliki," they shouted, waving posters of the incumbent premier, singing and dancing.

Hakim al-Zamili, a lawmaker with the Sadrist movement, cautioned the military, which includes units directly loyal to al-Maliki, not to intervene.

"The security forces and government bodies belong to the Iraqi people, and they should not interfere in politics," he said when asked whether al-Maliki might use force to stay in power.

The new political crisis in Baghdad has raised concerns abroad.

Speaking to reporters in Sydney, U.S. Secretary of State John Kerry said the U.S. stands "absolutely squarely behind President Massoum" and called for restraint. "There should be no use of force, no introduction of troops or militias into this moment of democracy for Iraq."

Kerry said a new government "is critical in terms of sustaining the stability and calm in Iraq," and that "our hope is that Mr. Maliki will not stir those waters."

The U.N. special representative for Iraq, Nickolay Mladenov, said Iraq's "special forces should refrain from actions that may be seen as interference in matters related to the democratic transfer of political authority."

Britain has expressed support for Ibadi's nomination, and Vice President Joe Biden called Massoum to express U.S. support and commend him on the nomination.

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John Kerry
U.S. secretary of state

who have started to make gains against the al-Qaida breakaway group that controls much of the north.

U.S. airstrikes have reinvigorated Iraqi Kurdish forces battling the Islamic State.

The militant advances and the political turmoil has deepened Iraq's humanitarian crisis, with some 200,000 Iraqis recently joining the 1.5 million people already displaced from violence this year.

The U.S. also announced the deployment of a disaster response team to Iraq help distribute humanitarian aid to those forced from their homes in the fresh wave of violence in the country's north.



HADI MOZBAN/AP

Shiite Deputy Parliament Speaker Haider al-Ibadi speaks to the media after an Iraqi parliament session in Baghdad on July 15.

VIETNAM AT 50

Return: Over time, sense of community kept POWs strong

FROM FRONT PAGE

Using gallows humor to cope with their poor treatment, they came up with a nickname for their harsh accommodations:
The Hanoi Hilton.

Alvarez had been a POW for three years and three months when Navy Lt. Lee Ellis' F-4C Phantom jet went down on Nov. 7, 1967, during a mission to pound the guns that protected the Quang Khe ferry near Route 1A, the main thoroughfare for transporting supplies to the Ho Chi Minh Trail. He and Capt. Ken Fisher had just dropped their bombs when their plane was hit.

Ellis managed to eject safely but was quickly captured and stripped to just his olive drab boxer shorts. Fisher also survived, and the two men were transported to several POW camps around Hanoi. Ellis spent two stints, totaling about 28 months, at the Hanoi Hilton.

He remembers it all too well — the deprivation, the torture and the constant fight against depression as days turned into years.

But just over a week before he went back for the first time since his release in 1973, he still wasn't sure about how he felt about it. "I don't know. Accessing my feelings is something I've had to learn about in the last few years," the plain-speaking Ellis said. "When I came home, I was looking forward, not back."

He quickly picked up the pieces of his interrupted life, met his future wife a few months later, resumed his military career and moved on.

Still, time in captivity shaped Ellis' life. He built a successful consulting business and wrote a well-received book, "Leading with Honor," on the lessons he learned at the Hanoi Hilton, using anecdotes on coping with adversity to illustrate his points. And time has allowed the wounds to heal, mostly.

At least he thought so.

"I don't have a lot of bad memories because it was just an episode on my life," Ellis said. "We were warriors, and we were the lucky ones. We came back. We suffered, our families suffered, but there were blessings, too."

He talked about the lifelong friendships that he forged with now-Sen. John McCain, R-Ariz., who was captured by the North Vietnamese 11 days before Ellis, and other fellow POWs. He focused on how the military principles he learned in training were galvanized in prison into his rules for life.

In his book, he described the early interrogation sessions, trying to avoid giving anything more than name, rank and service number, and feeling shame when the torture proved to be too much and he divulged more.

He was awarded two Silver Stars, the Legion of Merit, the Bronze Star with Valor device, the Purple Heart and the POW Medal for his service in Vietnam, which included 5½ years as a POW.



Courtesy of Leon F. "Lee" Ellis

On his 53rd mission, Navy Lt. Lee Ellis' plane was shot down on Nov. 7, 1967. A prisoner of war for more than 5½ years, he was released in 1973, along with now-Sen. John McCain and several others.

As more POWs arrived, life at the Hanoi Hilton fell into a rough rhythm of poor food and occasional interrogations that often were brutal — ranging from spending hours on their knees with their arms outstretched above their heads to a position called the "pretzel" that Ellis described in his book.

"After the prisoner's legs were tied together, his arms were laced tightly behind his back until the elbows touched and the shoulders were virtually pulled out of joint," he wrote. "Then the torturer would push the bound arms up and over the head, while applying pressure with a knee to the victim."

"During torture, the circulation is cut off and the limbs go to sleep, but the joint pain continues to increase as the ligaments and muscles tear. When the ropes are finally removed, circulation surges back into the 'dead' limbs, causing excruciating pain."

McCain seemed to get it worst after his captors discovered that his father was commander of all U.S. forces in the Vietnam theater.

Despite the conditions, a sense of community grew, with senior officers doing their best to keep morale from sinking. POWs found ways around the rules that were designed to keep them from sharing information. It could be a painful game — getting caught violating any rules meant lockdown in leg irons.

Ellis said he found that, using a blanket muffler, he could talk through a 16-inch wall when guards weren't nearby. A system of taps also conveyed messages, as did a complex system of hand signals.

And there were the small but satisfying acts of rebellion. The POWs made up names like Clark

Kent or Ben Casey for fictitious commanders when they were being interrogated for operational information.

"Even the smallest victories were important in this war of wills," Ellis wrote.

Perhaps the best-known incident came when the guards tried to photograph Navy Lt. Paul Galanti in a spacious room for propaganda purposes. Galanti casually extended both middle fingers in defiance. They were airbrushed out, but an original copy made it back to the U.S.

Rumors of imminent release circulated occasionally, bringing hopes that the ordeal was coming to an end. Ellis recalled thinking, "We'll get on that plane, then I'll

believe it."

Finally, in 1973, meals started improving. The POWs figured their captors didn't want them to look too emaciated when they were released, and soon they were going home in groups, first in, first out. Ellis was in the group that included McCain.

February in Hanoi is chilly and drizzly, but Ellis barely seemed to notice when he returned earlier this year for the first time since his release. His eyes were everywhere, taking in how much the city has changed since the war, rebuilding from the rubble left by American bombardments.

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PAUL ALEXANDER/Stars and Stripes

Retired military pilot Lee Ellis looks down from what was once a machine-gun position manned by guards at the "Hanoi Hilton," where he spent parts of his five years as a prisoner of war.

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Navy Lt. Lee Ellis



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An aerial view of the “Hanoi Hilton” before much of the prison, originally built by French colonialists, was torn down, is shown in a print at the museum which stands there now. The rest has been turned into a museum focused on Vietnamese inmates, with only a small mention of the American pilots who were held there as POWs.

Return: ‘Hanoi Hilton’ museum tells little of Americans’ hardship

FROM PAGE 4

Twenty-four years after he left the military as a colonel, his black hair was shot with gray, but Ellis still looked like he could switch quickly into a uniform from his neat khaki trousers and blue button-down shirt, a sharp contrast with the black cotton pajamas that were his constant attire in captivity.

He has more than a little sense of irony. Instead of going directly to the Hanoi Hilton, which has been turned into a museum, he had lunch first with wife Mary at the Hanoi Opera Hilton hotel. The hotel opened 15 years ago, carefully choosing its name to avoid association with the prison a few blocks away.

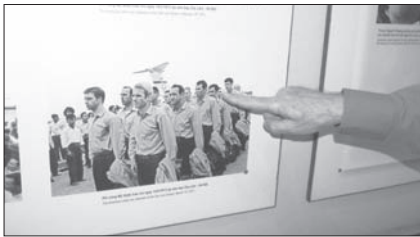
Ellis looked a little taken aback by his luxurious surroundings but was in a good mood as he sat in a chair for the first time in Vietnam; in captivity it was flat wooden boards or rough concrete. He drank his first coffee, and the lemongrass chicken was his first meat here; in prison, the only protein was a two-inch cube of bean curd once a week.

Other memories came floating back — leg irons and handcuffs, rubber sandals to make it difficult to escape, a steady diet of pumpkin soup alternating with months of cabbage soup, and a first meal as a prisoner of fish heads and rice, which apparently was standard fare for new captives. Before missions, pilots used to joke with each other to be careful or they’d be eating fish heads that night.

“I wondered if the guards knew the joke,” he said.

And he recalled the sounds of air raids, with anti-aircraft fire and surface-to-air missiles going up from the ground, punctuated by the nearby concussions of rockets fired by fellow American pilots from above.

Finally, after a dessert that left him longing for a nap follow-



Former pilot Lee Ellis points to himself in a photo of prisoners of war being released by Vietnam in 1973. Now-U.S. Sen. John McCain, with blond hair, is at the front of the line.

ing the drive from a cruise ship docked on the coast, it was time to head to the Hilton that he really associates with Hanoi.

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Ellis stood outside what remains of Maison Centrale, the yellow stone-and-concrete prison built by French colonialists in 1896. It used to take up an entire block, but 80 percent has been torn down to make way for Hanoi Towers, a residential/office complex.

Ellis, usually a model of reserve, started to look a little apprehensive as he walked in, and he was immediately frustrated by Vietnam’s rigid officialdom. A cameraman he brought from the cruise ship can’t bring in his professional-level gear because he didn’t seek government permission first. Still cameras and cell-phone cameras were OK, though.

As it turned out, one of the remaining sections of the prison is where Ellis was held. It was dubbed “Thunderbird,” after the former Las Vegas hotel, as were other sections: “Desert Inn” and “Stardust.” Bare light bulbs provided scant light. Two rows of statues depicted shackled Vietnamese prisoners — the museum

is dedicated to them; the American POWs are treated almost as an afterthought.

Ellis saw a pit toilet that prisoners used when they were allowed out of their cells and recalls how one officer lost his dental bridge while squatting over it. Another POW dug through the muck and recovered it, then washed and returned it.

A couple of cells still have black leg irons that Ellis said “started to cut into your skin pretty fast.” There were buckets to use as a toilet when the doors were locked, but “if you were in leg irons (for violations of prison rules), you just went on yourself.”

The men slept shoulder to shoulder on hard surfaces, and Ellis said some developed hip, knee and other problems that have plagued them over the years.

Ellis’ upbeat demeanor faded in the face of the past, and he seemed to be slipping back into that time, the memories becoming clearer. As Mary watched, he noisily slammed open and shut the metal covers over the small barred opening in the otherwise solid cell door — Bang! Bang! Bang! — just like the guards used to do.

“What you would hear was

the rattling of the keys at meal time and bucket time,” he said. “At unexpected times, it could be scary,” because it could mean hours of interrogation and torture for someone. “The threat was always there.”

“I get a little skittish around things like this,” he admitted. “The darkness is probably the thing I feel the most, the gray walls with no glass, just bars. In the winter, it was cold. You didn’t get enough calories to stay warm. You’d wake up dreaming about going through a cafeteria line eating a full breakfast.”

“There would be heat-rash boils in the summer. And there were the rats, big rats. When the sun started going down, you’d hear them scurrying over the walls. They’d come in through the drains in the walls.”

Along a pathway outside, he spotted what used to be a guard post manned with a machine gun, then climbed up to see the view he never experienced, including the broken glass imbedded on the top of the prison walls.

The other direction was the interrogation room, where torture was common, then more cells. Ellis walked into one, stretched out his arms and paced three steps, turned around and repeated it, telling his wife that this was how big his living area was.

He fell into a rhythm and seemed lost in memory: “One, two, three,” he counted off the steps, making an about-face and disappearing into the darkest part of the cell, “One, two, three,” then repeating the process again.

Finally, toward the end of the self-tour, there were two rooms focused on the American POWs. Ellis clearly got upset as he saw how all the pilots’ mistreatment has been excised, how the Hanoi Hilton has been portrayed as almost a vacation spot for them.

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Navy Lt. Lee Ellis



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VIETNAM AT 50

At 'Hilton' today, history air-brushed

By PAUL ALEXANDER
Stars and Stripes

HANOI, Vietnam — Going inside the stone walls of the prison sarcastically dubbed the “Hanoi Hilton” brings a respite from the honking traffic outside — until the iron shackles, dark cells and guillotine hammer home the suffering that went on there.

Synonymous in the U.S. with torture of American pilots captured during the Vietnam War, the prison has been turned into a museum that focuses on mistreatment of Vietnamese revolutionaries by French colonial rulers with scant mention of the Americans who were held there.

The POWs’ personal stories are a stark contrast to Vietnam’s official accounts that they were well-fed honored guests. Instead, they tell of brutal interrogation sessions that included torture and severe weight loss from malnutrition.

The Vietnamese appear to have learned those practices from the French, who built the prison in 1896. One display says it included a courthouse and secret police headquarters, “forming a complete autocratic ruling system to aid in their domination and oppression against patriotic movement of Vietnamese people.”

Following North Vietnam’s “liberation” by communist forces in 1954, criminals were held there. Then, from Aug. 12, 1964, to March 29, 1973, part of the prison became home to U.S. POWs, including John McCain, who became a U.S. senator, and Pete Peterson, who later served as the first U.S. ambassador to Vietnam after diplomatic ties were restored.

While the facility has been cleaned up, it remains a grim place — dark concrete walls and floors; dim, bare light bulbs and cells with barred windows near the ceiling that remain much as they have been for well over a century. Drains at floor level allowed human waste to be washed out; rats used them to come in.

The complex once took up an entire block adjacent to downtown Hanoi, but about 80 percent of it was torn down and replaced by Hanoi Towers, a modern twin-tower residen-



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A cell on the Death Row section at the “Hanoi Hilton” prison shows how inmates were shackled and unable to stand up straight.

tial/commercial development. An outdoor playground several stories up overlooks the prison’s remnants.

A monthly list taken from the prison’s archives shows 87 of the 800-900 Vietnamese prisoners dying in a one-year period spanning 1920-21 from diseases likely complicated by overcrowding and food deprivation. What little that was available to eat often was outdated and tainted by worms. A memoir by a former female inmate tells of 40 people dying in one month alone.

Dubbed the “Hell of Hells,” one room was a stuffy, lightless “cachot” — dungeon — where those who broke prison rules were detained in shackles. Another holds long rows of hard benches with statues of prisoners languishing in leg irons. A photo from 1908 shows inmates wearing wooden frames around their necks to make escape more difficult.

In the death row section, where the guillotine is on display, prisoners were shackled constantly with cell doors opened only twice a day for meals. Photos of the capitulated were hung around the city.

A small section of the museum and just over

three pages of the 29-page guidebook are dedicated to U.S. POWs.

One room features a television showing black-and-white footage of air raids to a background of wailing sirens, interspersed with the sounds of bomb concussions and anti-aircraft fire.

“The crimes committed by American imperialists were extreme,” a voiceover intones.

There are photos of protests against U.S. military intervention in Vietnam, claims that “thousands” of U.S. planes were shot down and pictures of POWs playing volleyball, basketball and chess or decorating Christmas trees and receiving letters and supplies from home.

Former POWs say many of those photos were staged under duress, and they mock one sign on display saying: “During the war, the national economy was difficult, but the Vietnamese government had created the best living conditions to U.S. pilots, for they had a stable life during their temporary detention period.”

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Navy Lt. Lee Ellis

Return: Feelings of frustration tempered by memories of honor

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One sign claims: “During the war, the national economy was difficult, but the Vietnamese government had created the best living conditions to U.S. pilots, for they had a stable life during their temporary detention period.”

Photos show inmates decorating a Christmas tree, receiving letters and care packages from home and playing basketball and volleyball.

One shows two POWs playing chess. “The traitor!” Ellis spat out, referring to one of the men, who was perceived as being a collaborator with the Vietnamese in exchange for favorable treatment.

A bed with a thin mattress is on display, but it just made Ellis angrier. “I don’t know anybody who slept on a bed like that,” he said. “We slept on concrete slab or wood planks.”

There was a moment of excitement as Ellis ran into a small group of tourists from his small hometown in Georgia, who coincidentally were touring the museum at the same time. Photos and handshakes followed as other visitors realized they were seeing a man who once was confined here.

Ellis pointed to himself in a photo on the wall a group of POWs, including McCain, as they were being released. He recalled how he dropped from about 160 pounds at the start of captivity to about 130-135 pounds before the Vietnamese started feeding the POWs better shortly before their release so they wouldn’t look so skeletal and mistreated.

Suddenly, he wanted to leave.

Badly.

“I’ve seen enough,” he said, already heading for the exit. “Let’s go.”

Outside on the sidewalk, Ellis took a few deep breaths to calm down, oblivious again to the drizzle, the honks of motorbikes.

The only thing that place really did was make him “rusty,” he said, his voice taking on a sense of urgency as he realized he didn’t get what he had hoped for. “It didn’t bring me any peace, any closure.

“I believe in documenting things accurately. It’s not surprising; I knew all of that from other people who came and then told me about it,” Ellis said. “But I hate spin. American politics is getting worse like that, too.”

A tour guide took Ellis and his wife to the city’s Old Quarter, where shops and restaurants line the streets. But he wasn’t interested in food or gifts; he just seemed lost in thought. It’s not clear what he saw, but it didn’t seem to be the chaotic traffic at a busy intersection.

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Two weeks later, Ellis returned home. After the day in Hanoi, the cruise ship stopped near Da Nang briefly, then spent several days docked in Ho Chi Minh City, known as Saigon during the war.

He said he was heartened somewhat by what he saw there. Hanoi is still gripped fairly tightly by the Communist Party, but Ho Chi Minh City is the country’s economic engine. That clout, combined with the distance from the capital, create a sense of pure capitalism at work — and a level of resentment at the country’s leaders.

“There’s a real energy in the people,” Ellis said. “I really feel like freedom is winning out every day. Everywhere I went, I heard, ‘The government is ripping us off.’ Basically, the officials are just getting their cut.”

He thinks the lack of truth, like what he encountered at the Hanoi Hilton, will ultimately be the government’s downfall.

“What I’m really seeing is the danger of lies,” Ellis said. “It undermines freedom. Everything depends on truth; otherwise, it’s built on a house of sand.”

Freedom is just as important as truth to Ellis. The desire for it was his constant companion in prison, and he believes Vietnam’s people long for it, too, after decades of one-party rule. In fact, he remains staunch in his belief that what happened in Vietnam was only a temporary victory for communism, that capitalism already is winning out.

He was happy his wife was with him, both for the company she provided and so she could share some of his experiences for the first time. He talked about returning in September to meet the North Vietnamese soldier who escorted him from his point of capture to Hanoi.

But most of all, he said the experience has “sharpened a little” his message of leading with honor.

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PACIFIC

Camp Humphreys starts building new 'downtown'

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CAMP HUMPHREYS, South Korea — Ground was broken Monday for the new Camp Humphreys Downtown Exchange and Commissary, another milestone in the U.S. military's massive project to relocate most American troops in South Korea to regional hubs south of Seoul.

The "downtown" will cover almost 1.8 million square feet on the ever-expanding installation. More than a dozen small bases are set to close, and more than 8,000 U.S. Forces Korea-affiliated personnel, including military, civilians, contractors and retirees, are expected to move to the Humphreys area by the end of 2017.

"Quite literally, we are standing in an area that will eventually become the heart and soul of our community, and I'm very proud of the effort each and every one of us is putting into making that vision a reality," said Col. Darin S. Conkright, Camp

Humphreys commander.

"Of course, we're not just breaking ground on what will be the largest commissary and exchange facilities in the Pacific — which, in and of itself, is a major accomplishment — but we're also breaking ground today on a number of vitally important family and MWR (Morale, Welfare and Recreation) facilities — to include new bowling and recreation centers as well as a wide variety of soldier and family support structures, all part of what will eventually become our downtown entertainment, recreation and shopping plaza," Conkright said.

South Korea's POSCO Engineering & Construction Ltd. began work June 3 on the new downtown area. It is expected to be finished Feb. 15, 2016, at a cost of more than \$140 million.

Nancy O'Neill, a Defense Commissary Agency spokeswoman, said the new commissary will be more than quadruple the size of the current one.



Courtesy of Camp Humphreys

An artist's rendering shows the new Downtown area for Camp Humphreys, South Korea. The area will include a new commissary, main exchange and Morale, Welfare and Recreation facilities.

Along with a new main exchange, the Army and Air Force Exchange Service said preparations are underway for construction on two minimalls and two theaters.

"The exchange is investing in Camp Humphreys," said Kristin H. McCoy, AAFES Pacific Region commander. "We are excited about the opportunities that exist here to positively impact the quality of life for servicemembers, their families and DOD civilians."

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Japan avoids militaristic terms when talking UUV

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YOKOSUKA NAVAL BASE, Japan — Japan would kindly appreciate it if you wouldn't use the term "submarine" when referring to the unmanned underwater vehicle for which it is conducting fuel cell research with the United States.

Japanese defense ministry officials told Stars and Stripes on Monday that they've budgeted \$26 million over the next five years to develop a high-powered fuel cell for the vehicles, known in military circles as UUVs.

However, Japan sometimes goes out of its way not to sound too militaristic, in line with its pacifist constitution.

For example, it relies on its 250,000-strong Self-Defense Forces instead of a military. Its flat-topped Izumo-class ships aren't carriers; they're helicopter destroyers.

On Monday, a defense spokesman did his best to avoid the implication of offensive capability that the word "submarine" apparently carries.

"[The] UUV is not equipped with a weapon; therefore, it is not the same as an unmanned submarine," said the spokesman, who remained anonymous as is customary in Japan. "The current research is for the fuel cell for the UUV. There is no specific plan for joint research on the UUV itself."

Japan's maritime force does include several manned, torpedo-equipped, diesel-electric submarines considered to be among the best of their type.

The vessel that they're doing fuel cell research for is a lot smaller. UUVs are the underwater version of UAVs, which are better known as unmanned planes, or drones.

The drone concept planned for the fuel cell is designed to be about 30 feet long and operate on its own for about a month.

Most of the United States' unclassified underwater drone programs are also designed more for surveillance than attack.

For example, the U.S. military has budgeted \$29 million in 2015 funds — double last year's funding — to build a prototype of Hydra, an underwater drone dubbed "the mothership" for its planned ability to drop smaller drones from its belly.

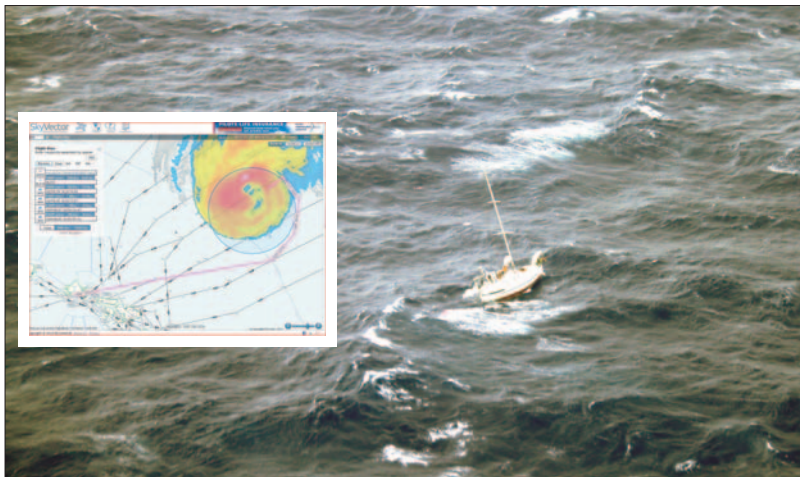
Hydra's enclosures "are deployed by various means, depending on the need for speed and stealth, and remain deployed until awakened for employment," according to the Defense Advanced Research Projects Agency's current budget proposal.

Hydra would "create a disruptive capability" in coastal waters, the budget proposal stated.

The U.S. Navy has increasingly sent its coastal assets to the Asia-Pacific region in recent years. Trillions of dollars and trade pass through the often-shallow, reef-dotted South China Sea annually.

The seas surrounding China have also been the location of several low-level skirmishes over territorial rights between China and its neighbors, including Japan.

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Photos courtesy of the U.S. Coast Guard

The U.S. Coast Guard coordinates the rescue of the 42-foot sailboat Walkabout, which got caught in Hurricane Julio about 414 miles northeast of Oahu, Hawaii, on Sunday. Inset: A map shows the search area.

Combined forces work to rescue hurricane-battered boat

By WYATT OLSON
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HONOLULU — The Air Force Reserve and the Hawaii Coast Guard combined forces Sunday in an effort to rescue three people stranded on a disabled sailboat being battered by 92 to 115 mph winds and 30-foot seas kicked up by Hurricane Julio.

One of the hatches on the 42-foot Walkabout blew away, as did its life raft, and onboard bilge pumps were unable to keep pace with flooding, a Coast Guard statement said.

The boat was about 414 miles north of Oahu, Hawaii.

At 7:15 a.m., the Joint Rescue Coordination

Center in Honolulu received notification from the International Emergency Response Coordination Center in Texas that an alert message was received from the Walkabout requesting Coast Guard assistance.

In response, the Coast Guard diverted a "hurricane hunter" plane, Teal 76, from inside Hurricane Julio to locate the vessel and establish VHF radio communications. Operated by the Mississippi-based Air Force Reserve 53rd Weather Reconnaissance Squadron, the plane had been flying missions through hurricanes Iselle and Julio since Tuesday. At 10:49 a.m., Teal 76 reported mayday calls from the Walkabout.

An HC-130 Hercules crew launched from Air Station Barbers Point at 11:10 a.m. to

deliver a life raft and relieve Teal 76.

After a two-hour transit, the Hercules crew arrived on scene and dropped de-watering equipment and life rafts to the Walkabout's occupants, but they were unable to retrieve the gear due to the rough conditions.

The Hercules returned to Oahu due to fuel limitations.

A second Hercules arrived at 7 p.m. and was to remain in the area until the 661-foot Matson container ship Manukai arrives.

The JRCC is receiving hourly position updates of the Walkabout from a Delorme device aboard the boat.

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MIDEAST



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President Barack Obama has directed \$10 million in Pentagon spending to help France fight terrorists in northwest Africa.

Obama directs funds to fight terrorists in Africa

The Associated Press

EDGARTOWN, Mass. — President Barack Obama on Monday directed \$10 million in emergency Pentagon spending to help France fight terrorists in northwest Africa.

Obama made the order Monday in a memo to his secretaries of defense and state from his vacation on Martha's Vineyard off the Massachusetts coast. "I here- by determine that an unforeseen

emergency exists that requires immediate military assistance to France in its efforts to secure Mali, Niger, and Chad from terrorists and violent extremists," Obama wrote.

France recently launched a military operation against Islamist groups, with some 3,000 troops being dispatched to five of its former colonies in Africa's Sahel region. The operation is code-named "Barkhane" after a crescent-shaped dune in the Sa-

hara desert.

Operation Barkhane involves Mauritania, Burkina Faso, Niger, Chad and Mali, where French forces intervened in 2013 to rout Islamic radicals. But the targeted operation in Mali merely dispersed al-Qaida-linked militants there, and their potential ties with Nigerian militant group Boko Haram have become an increasing concern to the French government.

Amnesty blasts US probes of Afghan civilian deaths

By STEVEN BEARDSLEY
Stars and Stripes

KABUL, Afghanistan — The U.S. military has done a poor job investigating civilian casualties caused by its operations in Afghanistan, even when evidence suggests war crimes may have been committed, Amnesty International concluded in a report released Monday.

The report, titled "Left in the Dark," details 10 cases in which it says airstrikes, night raids and drone attacks against civilians were not fully investigated by the U.S.-led International Security Assistance Force, if at all. In two cases where the report says evidence strongly suggests war crimes were committed — including kidnapping, torture and execution — there is little evidence the military is investigating with any urgency, the human rights organization said.

At fault, the authors conclude, is a flawed U.S. military justice system that relies on the statements of U.S. troops alone, ignoring Afghan witnesses, and that puts commanders in charge of investigating the troops they need for ongoing operations.

"It is a system in which, in most cases, there are no real incentives to report crimes against Afghan civilians, or to push forward an investigation or prosecution ... and many disincentives to doing so," the report says.

Both the ISAF and the Pentagon said they take such claims seriously and investigate them, though neither responded to specific criticisms in the report,

including suggestions that a criminal investigation under a Special Forces team removed from Wardak province last spring was moving too slowly.

"I can tell you that ISAF takes all allegations of civilian casualties seriously, claims are rigorously investigated and appropriate actions are taken to mitigate the possibility of civilian casualties in future operations," ISAF spokesman Army Lt. Col. Chris Belcher said in a statement.

American spokesman Maj. Brad Avots said in an email, "U.S. forces go to extraordinary lengths to avoid civilian casualties," asserting that the Defense Department does not permit torture or inhumane treatment.

"The United States has investigated U.S. military personnel and civilian personnel, including contractors, for civilian casualties that are alleged to be not incident to lawful military operations," Avots said. "Investigation results can and have previously led to both criminal convictions, as well as adverse administrative actions."

Many of the incidents detailed in the report have been made public previously. The Amnesty International researchers visited Afghan villages and cities to determine if villagers had been involved in the investigations, were aware of the outcomes or knew who was responsible. In each case, Afghans they visited said they remained in the dark, and some were still seeking.

"We want justice," said a father whose son was killed in an airstrike near Jalalabad's airport

For more on Amnesty International's report, go to stripes.com/go/amnestyreport

while hunting birds with an air gun. "We want those responsible to be brought in front of a court to answer for what they have done. We are not selling the blood of our loved ones to Americans, and we want accountability."

The report cites "structural flaws" in the U.S. military justice system and draws a parallel to recent handling of sexual violence in the military.

The same flaws apply in civilian casualty cases, the report concludes. Commanders decide when to pursue charges against a servicemember, a decision that can be colored by their relationship with the individual or their need for that person to remain on the job. Even when charges are pursued, commanders drive the process by choosing an investigating officer, judge and jury. They can also overturn a guilty verdict returned by a jury.

When investigations into civilian casualties are performed, they appear to be one-sided, the report said, concerned solely with what commanders and troops tell investigators. After a Special Forces night raid in Gardez ended in the deaths of five civilians, including two pregnant women, the ISAF never questioned eyewitnesses, instead repeating the team's assertion that the victims were dead when they arrived. Only after a journalist raised questions was the coalition forced to look into what happened.

The Amnesty report counted

six incidents of criminal prosecution since 2009, although it said the Pentagon did not provide any numbers to confirm that. Nonjudicial punishments, the lower-level discipline often meted out to servicemembers for noncriminal offenses, go unreported by the military, the authors said.

Afghanistan's lack of jurisdiction over international forces further complicates getting justice, the report found. In the case of the Special Forces team in Wardak, Afghan investigators asked an Afghan translator identified by many eyewitnesses, but they were unable to question Special Forces members.

The jurisdiction question is a tricky one. Whether the U.S. will keep a small, mostly advisory force in Afghanistan after all combat troops withdraw at the end of this year is contingent on the signing of a Bilateral Security Agreement. That agreement stipulates that the U.S. would retain legal jurisdiction over its troops.

The cases are troubling for a coalition that predates part of its success on its acceptance by Afghans and that constantly claims to take investigations seriously.

The report mentions Gardez and Wardak as two cases involving "abundant and compelling evidence of war crimes. Survivors in Gardez said they had not been interviewed for an investigation and had received no indication anyone was ever punished for the shooting."

In Wardak, which involved allegations of kidnapping, torture and murder, was under investigation as of January, Am-

nesty said. Progress remained slow, the report said, with few witnesses and detainees saying they had been contacted. The DOD did not comment on either case.

The authors of the report recommended the U.S. validate the ISAF conduct reviews of the cases included in the report and all future cases. They said that proposed reforms to the Uniform Code of Military Justice in response to high incidence of sexual assaults would also benefit the handling of civilian casualties.

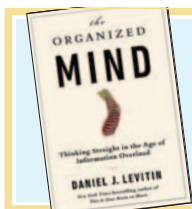
Afghans have long felt that they have no access to justice when family members or villagers are killed or injured in attacks by the international forces aligned with their own government, said Martine van Bijlert, co-director of the Afghan Analysts Network. The few who make any progress usually do so only in the more spectacular cases that garner media attention.

"It's only a small number of events where civilians were killed that got in the press," van Bijlert said. "Anyone who's been here a long time and has spoken to any Afghans will have heard stories. There have been a lot of night raids."

Especially galling to Afghans, she said, is that the coalition immediately denies civilian casualties before it knows the facts.

"I think the key here is that the military operates in a civilian environment, but they're treating it as a battlefield," she said. "In their view, that's reasonable. But it's not."

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Alaska Republican U.S. Senate candidates Joe Miller, left, Dan Sullivan, center, and Mead Treadwell greet before a televised debate Sunday in Anchorage in which they clashed on immigration policy.

Big border battle at GOP Senate debate in Alaska

The Associated Press

ANCHORAGE, Alaska — Thousands of miles from the U.S.-Mexico border, three Republicans vying for their party's nomination for U.S. Senate in Alaska clashed on immigration Sunday night in a televised debate ahead of the Aug. 19 primary.

Both former Alaska Attorney General Dan Sullivan and Lt. Gov. Mead Treadwell refused to sign a pledge offered by tea party favorite Joe Miller to oppose all efforts at "amnesty" for people here illegally if elected to the U.S. Senate, with Treadwell chastising Miller for sending out a mailer on immigration featuring menacing Hispanic gang members. Miller, in turn, noted that sev-

eral of Sullivan's backers, such as GOP strategist Karl Rove, favor allowing many of the 11 million immigrants in the country to eventually become citizens.

"It's because it's the truth," Miller said when challenged about the pictures on the flyer. "This is real-world stuff."

Miller, an attorney who won the 2010 Republican Senate nomination but lost to Sen. Lisa Murkowski when she bested him in a general election write-in campaign, has been increasingly emphasizing immigration as he tries to break out of what most observers believe is third place in the heated primary fight. He has been highlighting his support from Maricopa County, Ariz., Sheriff Joe Arpaio, a well-known

immigration hardliner.

Miller was also the only one of the three candidates who refused to commit to endorsing the winner of the Republican primary. That will continue to stoke speculation that he could run on a third-party ticket should he lose the primary, which could effectively hand the November election to incumbent Democratic Sen. Mark Begich.

"Our country is fundamentally going in the wrong direction," said Sullivan, who is also a lieutenant colonel in the Marine Reserve. "The best way to change this is to beat Mark Begich and retire Harry Reid."

On immigration, all three candidates bashed the Obama administration for allegedly failing to secure the border.

Can Hawaii Dems unite amid election drama?

The Associated Press

HONOLULU — Hawaii's Democratic Unity Breakfast the morning after the primary election is traditionally a time for candidates to set aside their differences and coalesce against the Republican candidates they will face in November.

But the Sunday festivities were awkward this year after the primary left the top-ticket U.S. Senate race undecided and the sitting governor was trounced by his Democratic opponent.

Incumbent Brian Schatz and Rep. Colleen Hanabusa, the Senate candidates who are separated by only a slim vote margin, largely ignored one another until they were finally forced to acknowledge each other with a hug in between their speeches to about 200 party faithful.

"This really is an extraordinary moment in Democratic Party politics for so many reasons," Schatz

said. "Colleen and I, in a very particular way, are not 'pau,'" he said, using the Hawaiian word for done.

Hanabusa asked: "Where else would you have a situation like this? I mean, look at this election. Two hurricanes, we were down to the wire."

The other election drama was resolved Saturday night, when Gov. Neil Abercrombie was re-soundingly defeated by a fellow Democrat and onetime underdog who took on the 40-year politician. Abercrombie pledged his full support to Democratic gubernatorial nominee David Ige and linked arms with him onstage on election night.

As Democrats shifted their focus to defeating Republicans in November, the focus of the U.S. Senate race shifts to a remote region on the Big Island known as Puna, where up to 8,255 registered voters will be mailed bal-



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Sen. Brian Schatz, D-Hawaii, and his wife, Linda Kwok Schatz, attend the Democratic Unity Breakfast in Honolulu on Sunday.

lots in the next few days. In an unprecedented move, elections officials postponed voting in two precincts after Tropical Storm Iselle hit the state. Exactly how the election will proceed was unclear to candidates Sunday morning. The state faces a 21-day legal deadline.

Philly hopes its history nets Dems' convention

The Associated Press

WASHINGTON — One of five cities bidding for the Democratic National Convention, Philadelphia appears to hold an early edge with a track record of hosting the major gathering — not to mention that Hillary Rodham Clinton and Vice President Joe Biden have family ties to the state.

The original U.S. capital and the nation's fifth-largest city, Philadelphia touts its historical significance. It has hosted the presidential nominating convention seven times since 1856, most recently the Republicans' in 2000. Also vying for the 2016 convention are Birmingham, Ala.; New York City's Brooklyn borough; Columbus, Ohio; and Phoenix — each hoping to host its first presidential convention.

"I do think that Philadelphia has a very good chance of getting it," said former Democratic National Committee Chairman Joe Andrew, who guided the party's selection of convention cities from 1996 to 2004 and supports the city's bid.

DNC members will come to the City of Brotherly Love on Wednesday to review potential venues, hotels and transportation options for the estimated 50,000 delegates, party activists and media expected for the convention. Visits to the other cities are to be completed by mid-September. A perennial swing state with 20 electoral votes, Pennsylvania more recently has trended liberal. Democratic presidential candidates have carried the state since 1992.

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NATION

Mayhem follows vigil for St. Louis teen shot by cop

By JIM SALTER

The Associated Press

FERGUSON, Mo. — People smashed car windows and carried away armloads of looted goods from stores Sunday night after thousands of people packed a suburban St. Louis area at a vigil for an unarmed black man who was shot and killed by a police officer.

The candlelight gathering was for Michael Brown, 18, who police said was shot multiple times Saturday after a scuffle involving the officer, Brown and another person in Ferguson, a predominantly black suburb of the city.

The killing drew criticism from some civil rights leaders, who referred to the 2012 racially charged shooting of Trayvon Martin, 17, an unarmed black, by a Florida neighborhood watch organizer who was acquitted of murder charges.

"We're outraged because yet

again a young African-American man has been killed by law enforcement," said John Gaskin, who serves on both the St. Louis County and national boards of directors for the NAACP.

After the vigil, some people looted a convenience store. Several other stores along a main road near the shooting scene were broken into and looted, including a check-cashing store, a boutique and a small grocery store.

TV footage showed streams of people walking out of a liquor store carrying bottles of alcohol, and in some cases protesters were standing atop police cars or taunting officers who stood stoic, often in riot gear. Video posted online by the St. Louis Post-Dispatch showed a convenience store on fire.

Other witnesses reported seeing people vandalize police cars and kick in windows.

"Right now, the small group of people are creating a huge mess,"



DAVID CARSON, ST. LOUIS POST-DISPATCH/AP

A man carries goods from a store in Ferguson, Mo., on Sunday. A few thousand people rallied Sunday night at a vigil for Michael Brown, who was shot and killed by a police officer. Afterward car windows were smashed, stores were looted and fires started.

Ferguson Mayor James Knowles told St. Louis KTVI-TV. "Contributing to the unrest that is going on is not going to help. ... We're only hurting ourselves, only hurting our community, hurting our neighbors. There's nothing productive from this."

As the investigation of Brown's death progresses, Knowles said, "We understand people want to vent their frustrations. We understand they want to speak out."

"We're going to obviously try to urge calm."

St. Louis County Executive Charlie Dooley said there were no reports of injuries but confirmed widespread property damage.

"Right now I'm just worried about people, not property," he said.

County Police Chief Jon Belmar said the shooting occurred after an officer encountered two people — one of whom was Brown — on the street near an apartment complex in Ferguson.

Belmar said one of the men pushed the officer back into his squad car and a struggle began.

Belmar said at least one shot was fired from the officer's gun inside the police car. Ferguson Police Chief Tom Jackson said authorities were still sorting out what happened inside the police car. It was not clear if Brown was the man who struggled with the officer.

The struggle spilled out into the street, where Brown was shot multiple times. Jackson said the second person has not been arrested or charged. Authorities aren't sure if that person was unarmed, Jackson said.

2 killed in drive-by shooting in New Orleans

The Associated Press

NEW ORLEANS — A drive-by shooting killed a man and an 18-year-old woman and wounded five other people, three of them children, in the Lower 9th Ward, a neighborhood that was ravaged by Hurricane Katrina and has struggled with crime, police said.

A woman and two children, aged 2 and 4, were in critical condition and a 13-year-old girl and a 37-year-old woman were in stable condition, Officer Frank Robertson, a police spokesman, said in a news release.

He said all were in front of a house when a dark car occupied by men drove up, opened fire and sped off. The slain man appeared to be in his late 20s, Robertson said in an email.

The Lower 9th, a predominantly black neighborhood less than 5 miles from the bustling tourist district of the French Quarter, was overwhelmed by Hurricane Katrina's floods in 2005.

In a separate, unrelated spate of violence, a 20-year-old man shot a friend Sunday morning in a hotel room at the edge of the Quarter, then killed himself after a three-hour standoff with police, authorities said.



MICHAEL DEMOCKER, THE (NEW ORLEANS) TIMES PICAYUNE/AP

Two young people grieve at the scene where New Orleans Police were investigating a shooting in the Lower 9th Ward neighborhood of New Orleans on Sunday.

The shootings were the latest in a city dependent on tourists. In June, two men exchanged gunfire on Bourbon Street, killing one person and wounding nine others.

The hotel shootings happened in a 17th-floor room at The Westin on Canal Street, where four friends from the Lafayette area were staying together for the weekend, Robertson said.

Three of them came in from partying, waking the fourth about 5 a.m. The man returned to sleep only to be awakened by the plea, "Put the gun down." The 20-year-old, looking "dazed and confused under the influence of some unknown substance," was pointing a gun at their 24-year-old friend,

Robertson said.

The older man kept asking his friend to put the gun down, Robertson said. The officers backed out in the chest. The other two ran for help, hearing a second shot as they fled.

When hotel staff let police into the room, the 20-year-old pointed a gun at them, Robertson said. The officers backed out and called a SWAT team.

After about three hours of negotiations, the 20-year-old man apparently shot himself and the SWAT team stormed in. He was pronounced dead about 9:55 a.m.

Rescue workers rushed the 24-year-old to a hospital where he was in stable condition Sunday evening.

LA woman punched by officer speaks out

The Associated Press

LOS ANGELES — Marlene Pinnock said she thought she was going to die as a California Highway Patrol officer straddled her, repeatedly punching her head on the side of a Los Angeles freeway.

During an interview with The Associated Press on Sunday — her first public comments since the July 1 beating was caught on video by a passing driver — Pinnock spoke haltingly or in a whisper, occasionally putting her hands to her temples and grimacing.

Her attorney, Garret Harper, frequently interrupted her and limited her responses to a reporter's questions.

"He grabbed me, he threw me down, he started beating me, he beat me," Pinnock said. "I felt like he was trying to kill me, beat me to death."

Pinnock, 51, was released from the hospital last week after several weeks of treatment for head injuries and now slurs her speech, Harper said.

Pinnock is suing CHP Commissioner Joe Farrow and Officer Daniel L. Andrew in federal court for civil rights violations. The suit claims excessive force, assault, battery and a violation of Pinnock's due process rights. The CHP hasn't identified the officer but said he had been on the job for 1½ years and is on desk duty pending completion of the inter-

nal investigation.

The agency has said that Pinnock was endangering herself by walking on Interstate 10 and the officer was trying to restrain her.

Pinnock said she had been homeless for the last three to



Pinnock

five years. She said she had been on her way to a place frequented by the homeless where she said she could feel safe to fall asleep.

Harper said the area was accessible only by walking along the freeway ramp.

She was placed on an involuntary psychiatric hold by Andrew after the encounter. Andrew said in his report that she was a danger to herself and wrote that "upon contacting the subject she was talking to herself. The subject began telling me 'I want to walk home' and called me 'the devil.' The subject then tried to walk into traffic lanes."

"If in fact she did call him the devil, it's secondary to the fact that he proved to be either the devil or a close relative," Harper said. "Because he treated her in a manner nobody should ever be treated."

WORLD

Cease-fire holds in Gaza; new talks set

BY MOHAMMED DARAGHMEH
The Associated Press

CAIRO — An Egyptian-brokered cease-fire halting the Gaza war held into Monday morning, allowing Palestinians to leave homes and shelters as negotiators agreed to resume talks in Cairo.

The truce took effect just after midnight (9 p.m. GMT), preceded by heavy rocket fire toward Israel. In Cairo, the Egyptian Foreign Ministry said the cease-fire would allow humanitarian aid into battered Gaza neighborhoods and the reopening of indirect talks on a more lasting and comprehensive deal.

On Monday morning, high school students in Gaza filed the streets as they headed off to pick up their graduation certificates after the Education Ministry said they'd be ready. People waited to buy fuel for generators as power and communication workers struggled to fix cables damaged in the fighting. Long lines formed at ATMs.

In Cairo, negotiators said talks would resume at 11 a.m. (8 a.m. GMT). The four-member Israeli delegation arrived at Cairo International Airport earlier Monday morning.

The monthlong war, pitting the Israeli military against rocket-firing Hamas militants, has killed more than 1,900 Palestinians, the majority civilians, Palestinian and U.N. officials say. In Israel, 67 people have been killed, all but three of them soldiers, officials there say.

The fighting ended in a three-day cease-fire last Tuesday. Egypt had hoped to use that truce to mediate a long-term deal. But when it expired, militants resumed their rocket fire, sparking Israeli reprisals.

The violence continued throughout the weekend, including a burst of fighting late Sunday ahead of the expected cease-fire.



A Palestinian woman inspects damage to her home in Gaza City's Shijaiyah neighborhood on Monday after a new cease-fire took effect.

Last week's talks failed in part because Israel rejected Hamas' demand for a complete end to the blockade of the Gaza Strip, enforced by Egypt and Israel. Israel says the closure is necessary to prevent arms smuggling, and officials do not want to make any concessions that would allow Hamas to declare victory.

The blockade has greatly limited the movement of Palestinians in and out of the impoverished territory of 1.8 million people for jobs and schooling. It has also limited the flow of goods into Gaza and blocked virtually all exports. Unemployment there is more than 50 percent.

Bassam Salhi, a Palestinian delegation member, said he was optimistic ahead of Monday's talks.

"We hope to reach a deal within the next 72 hours, based on ending the blockade and opening the crossings," Salhi said.

Israeli officials had walked away from negotiations over continued fire from Gaza.

"Israel will not negotiate under fire," Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu said earlier Sunday, warning that his country's military campaign "will take time."

The current Gaza war escalated from the abduction and killing of three Israeli teens in the West Bank in June. Israel blamed the killings on Hamas and launched a massive arrest campaign, rounding up hundreds of its members in the West Bank. Hamas and other militants unleashed rocket fire from Gaza.

Meanwhile, the Israeli military said it killed a suspected Palestinian militant early Monday morning in the West Bank village of Qabalan, south of Nablus. Palestinian medical officials identified the dead man as Zakariah al-Aqrah, 21.

The military said he was killed after he opened fire on an Israeli force that had come to arrest him in connection with shootings targeting Israeli soldiers two weeks ago.

Turkish leader calling for unity

The Associated Press

ISTANBUL — Prime Minister Recep Tayyip Erdogan was convening his ruling party leadership Monday to find a new premier for Turkey following his victory in the country's historic first direct vote for president.

Unofficial vote tallies by the Turkish media showed Erdogan won about 51.9 percent in Sunday's election. His main challenger, Ekmeleddin Ihsanoglu, followed with 38.3 percent. Selahattin Demirtas, a young Kurdish politician running on a left-wing platform, was in third place with 9.7 percent.

The election commission was expected to issue official vote figures Monday.

In his victory speech Sunday night, Erdogan struck a conciliatory tone toward critics who fear he is bent on a power grab as he embarks on another five years at the country's helm. Erdogan has already served three terms as prime minister.

"Today is a milestone for Turkey," he told thousands of cheering, flag-waving supporters from the balcony of his Justice and Development Party headquarters in the capital, Ankara. "Today is the day Turkey is born from its ashes and a new Turkey is built."

"I will not be the president of only those who voted for me. I will be the president of 77 million," he said, in stark contrast to his mostly bitter, divisive election campaign.

Erdogan, who has dominated Turkish, has vowed to transform the presidency from a largely ceremonial post into a powerful position. He has said he will activate the post's rarely used dormant powers — a legacy of a 1980 coup — including the ability to call parliament and summon Cabinet meetings.

Inmates flee high-security prison after Ukraine shelling

The Associated Press

DONETSK, Ukraine — Rockets slammed into a high-security prison Monday in the rebel-held city of Donetsk, igniting a riot that allowed more than 100 prisoners to flee, authorities in eastern Ukraine said.

Donetsk city council spokesman Maxim Rovinsky said a direct rocket hit killed at least one inmate and left three others severely wounded. In the chaos, he said 106 prisoners escaped, including some jailed for murder, robbery and rape.

In the past week Ukrainian government forces have intensified their military operations and surrounded Donetsk, the largest city in rebel-held eastern Ukraine. Exchanges of rocket fire and deaths

from shelling have become a feature of daily life and hundreds of thousands have chosen to flee.

The prison break became possible after a substitution providing the building with electricity was damaged, disabling the facility's alarm system.

"Extremely dangerous prisoners are now free," Rovinsky said.

"It is hard to know the extent of threat this poses to the city, which is flooded with weapons."

Officials with Ukraine's state penitentiary service said later Monday that 34 prisoners had returned to the jail. It was not immediately possible to verify that.

Both Ukrainian government forces and the pro-Russia rebels who want independence for their eastern region have deployed

heavy and often imprecise weapons in the battle that began in April. Apartments and other civilian buildings have frequently been hit, adding to the mounting death toll among civilians.

Rovinsky said Monday at least 10 homes, shops and garages were hit by overnight rockets. He added that 20,000 people had no electricity in Donetsk and an estimated 400,000 have fled the city, which had a pre-war population of 1 million. Many shops have closed and supplies are dwindling at the few still open.

The Ukrainian army's strategy has focused on encircling Donetsk and nearby rebel towns and breaking off road links with other separatist towns and villages further east, closer to the Russian border.



SERGEI GRITS/AP

Inmates at a high-security facility stand in a yard after shelling in Donetsk, eastern Ukraine, on Monday. Authorities said more than 100 prisoners fled from the facility after it was hit by shelling.

BUSINESS/WEATHER

Survey: Many Americans still struggling

BY DON LEE
Los Angeles Times

WASHINGTON — Four in 10 U.S. households are straining financially five years after the Great Recession — many struggling with tight credit, soaring education debt and profound issues related to savings and retirement, according to a new Federal Reserve survey.

The wide-ranging Fed study assessing the economic well-being of Americans shows that the economy has made progress to the point where most households said they were "living comfortably" or doing OK financially.

But almost 40 percent reported last fall that their families were "just getting by" or struggling to do so, and more people said their financial situation was worse rather than better off compared with five years earlier.

The survey, conducted in September and reported Thursday, found that the recession had

forced substantial shares of the population to put off big purchases or delay major decisions such as moving to a new city or getting married. Many people leaned on others to get through the hard times.

"The survey indicates that many households have been providing assistance to one another during periods of financial distress," the Fed report said, noting that 34 percent helped friends or family with money.

Overall, the Fed's findings are consistent with many other studies and data depicting the deep and lingering effects of the 2007-09 recession. They provide fresh evidence that the recovery has been slow and uneven, generally skewed to the wealthy, and flesh out with numbers some commonly held assumptions.

The survey found, for example, that 15 percent of those who had retired since 2008 had done so earlier than planned because of the downturn. Only 4 percent

said they had retired later than expected. Based on demographics, that translates into roughly 2 million more people retiring since 2008 than if the recession had not occurred.

"This suggests that some of the folks who dropped out of the labor force during the recession will not be returning," said Scott Hoyt, an economist at Moody's Analytics.

That could factor in to the current debate inside the Fed and among academics about the extent of labor market slack, that is, the number of people who are not in the workforce but willing and capable of filling a job.

Fed Chairwoman Janet L. Yellen has argued in favor of easy-money policies largely on the basis of her belief that there is significant slack in the economy, but others have maintained that there are far fewer such workers who are waiting in the wings.

The Fed's report, however, captured a snapshot of households

last fall, so there is no comparable data from prior years to assess changes over time. Since then, the recovery stalled in the winter, bounced back in the spring and produced six straight months of job growth surpassing 200,000 each.

The central bank conducts a far more extensive survey of consumer finances every three years, but the results of the most recent one, for 2013, won't be released until early next year.

Even so, this latest snapshot, which the Fed said was aimed at monitoring the recovery and risks to financial stability, adds to the understanding of the severity of the Great Recession's effect on households and individuals. The report suggested that Americans had a fairly positive outlook about their finances. More than 60 per-

cent said they expected their income to stay the same in the next 12 months, with 21 percent looking for it to increase. Only 16 percent expected it to decline.

EXCHANGE RATES

Military rates	
Euro costs (Aug. 12).....	\$1.3734
Dollar buys (Aug. 12).....	€0.7281
British pound (Aug. 12).....	\$1.72
Japanese yen (Aug. 12).....	99.00
South Korean won (Aug. 12) ..	1,004.00

Commercial rates	
Bahrain (Dinar)	0.3770
British pound	£1.6788
Canada (Dollar)	1.0957
China (Yuan)	6.1583
Denmark (Krone)	5.5697
Egypt (Pound)	7.1506
Euro	\$1.3386/0.7470
Hong Kong (Dollar)	7.7515
Hungary (Forint)	234.03
Israel (Shekel)	3.4811
Japan (Yen)	102.13
Kuwait (Dinar)	0.2832
Norway (Krone)	6.8070
Peru (Soc. Pesos)	43.86
Poland (Zloty)	3.14
Saudi Arabia (Riyal)	3.7505
Singapore (Dollar)	1.2500
South Korea (Won)	1.0315
Switzerland (Franc)	0.9064
Thailand (Baht)	32.09

Turkey (Lira) 2.1486
(Military exchange rates are those available to customers at military banking facilities in the country of issuance for Japan, South Korea, Germany, the Netherlands and the United Kingdom. For nonlocal currency exchange rates (i.e., purchasing British pounds in Germany), check with your local military banking facility. Commercial rates are interbank rates provided for reference when buying currency. All figures are foreign currencies to one dollar, except for the British pound, which is represented in dollars-to-pound, and the euro, which is dollars-to-euro.)

INTEREST RATES

Prime rate	3.25
Discount rate	0.75
Federal funds market rate	0.09
3-month bill	0.02
30-year bond	3.23

WEATHER OUTLOOK



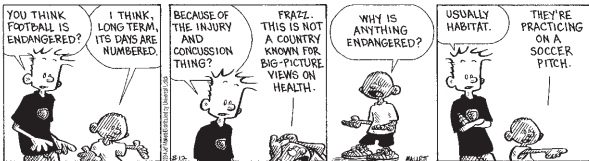
Tuesday's US temperatures

Atlanta, Texas	Hi	Lo	Wthr	Chattanooga	64	56	Cloudy	Fort Wayne	73	53	Cloudy	Louisville	81	61	Cloudy	Portland	90	61	Cloudy	Sioux City	81	56	Cloudy
	93	67	PCity	Chattanooga	84	58	PCity	Fresno	98	69	PCity	Lubbock	89	67	PCity	Portland, Maine	76	64	PCity	Sioux Falls	80	57	Cloudy
Albany, N.Y.	78	65	Rain	Cincinnati	79	58	Rain	Grand Junction	89	65	Cloudy	Madison	75	53	PCity	Pueblo	79	67	Cloudy	Spokane	91	64	Cloudy
Albuquerque	85	65	Cloudy	Cleveland	78	58	Rain	Grand Rapids	71	55	Rain	Medford	93	63	PCity	Providence	90	62	PCity	Springfield, Ill.	77	55	PCity
Albuquerque	85	65	Rain	Greensboro, N.C.	78	58	Rain	Greensboro, N.C.	78	58	Rain	Medford	93	63	PCity	Pueblo	79	67	Cloudy	Springfield, Mo.	80	57	Cloudy
Amarillo	88	64	PCity	Columbia, S.C.	89	72	Cloudy	Green Bay	72	62	Cloudy	Miami Beach	91	80	PCity	Reno	85	61	Cloudy	Syracuse	74	65	Rain
Anchorage	65	54	Cloudy	Columbus, Ga.	90	73	Cloudy	Greensboro, N.C.	72	65	Cloudy	Midland-Olesea	93	81	PCity	Reno	86	60	Cloudy	Tallahassee	73	66	Rain
Anchorage	65	54	Cloudy	Dayton	78	63	Cloudy	Greensboro, N.C.	72	65	Cloudy	Midland-Olesea	93	81	PCity	Reno	86	60	Cloudy	Tallahassee	73	66	Rain
Atlanta	87	72	Cloudy	Concord, N.H.	80	63	Cloudy	Hartford Springfield	78	66	Cloudy	Mpls-St Paul	78	61	Cloudy	Roanoke	78	65	Rain	Toledo	77	54	Rain
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Austin	72	72	Cloudy	Dallas-Ft Worth	96	71	Cloudy	Honolulu	87	77	PCity	Mobile	90	73	Rain	Rockford	75	52	PCity	Topeka	81	58	Cloudy
Baltimore	79	68	Rain	Dayton	78	56	Cloudy	Houston	94	73	Cloudy	Monterey	91	73	Rain	Sacramento	85	59	Cloudy	Tulsa	85	60	Cloudy
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Boston	78	67	Cloudy	El Paso	91	73	PCity	Kansas City	78	58	Cloudy	Norfolk, Va.	87	73	Rain	Salt Lake City	92	68	Cloudy	W. Palm Beach	92	80	PCity
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Buffalo	76	65	Cloudy	Eugene	82	56	PCity	Lake Charles	92	74	Cloudy	Orlando	95	76	PCity	San Francisco	73	59	PCity	Yakima	92	63	Cloudy
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National temperature extremes

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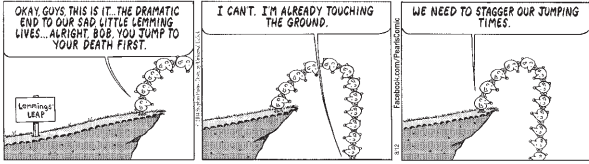
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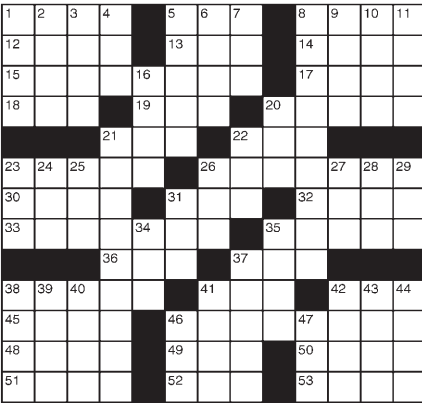
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Eugene Sheffer Crossword



ACROSS

- 1 FDR's dog
- 5 Awful
- 8 Paddock papa
- 12 Eager
- 13 Expert
- 14 Related
- 15 Not imported
- 17 Clinton Cabinet member
- 18 Ram's mate
- 19 Pea holder
- 20 Oodles
- 21 Enjoyment
- 22 Feathery neckwear
- 23 John Lennon hit
- 26 Rice University home
- 30 Press
- 31 Selfies, e.g.
- 32 Melody
- 33 Acrobat's garb
- 35 Good as new
- 36 Actress Adams
- 37 Pen name?
- 38 Clutch
- 41 Evergreen type
- 42 Go downhill rapidly?
- 45 Leftovers
- 46 Grand
- 48 Opposed
- 49 Gold, in Guadalajara
- 50 Actress Skye
- 51 Bank acct. protector
- 52 Rawls or Reed
- 53 Raced

DOWN

- 1 Lose brightness
- 2 Acknowledge
- 3 Rickey ingredient
- 4 Drink often made with 3-Down
- 5 Drum majorette's staff
- 6 Alkali neutralizer
- 7 Year-end calendar abbr.
- 8 Snide
- 9 Furniture store name
- 10 Peel
- 11 Grandson of Eve
- 16 Whirled
- 20 Old French coin
- 21 "Great!"
- 22 Carrot
- 23 Actor Wheaton
- 24 Raw mineral
- 25 Cow's comment
- 26 Stashed
- 27 Monkey suit
- 28 Indivisible
- 29 Homer's neighbor
- 31 Snoop
- 34 Pump up the volume
- 35 Conflagration
- 37 Prized gem
- 38 Steffi of tennis fame
- 39 Tear asunder
- 40 Italian wine region
- 41 Gambling game
- 42 Pull the plug on
- 43 Cattle, old style
- 44 On the rocks
- 46 Actress Gretchen
- 47 Family member

Answer to Previous Puzzle



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CRYPTOQUIP

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Yesterday's Cryptoquip: THIS CARTOON DEER BEHAVES INDECISIVELY AND SPINELESSLY. I SUPPOSE IT MUST BE A NAMBY-BAMBI.
Today's Cryptoquip Clue: I equals V

FACES

Wolff at the door

Teen actor-musician juggles dual careers, newfound fame

By HALEY GOLDBERG
Los Angeles Times

For actor and musician Nat Wolff, the shift to feature films, including "Palo Alto" in 2013 and "The Fault in Our Stars" this year, is new.

"When I was a kid, I had a list of my top favorite actors, and it was like Dustin Hoffman, Mickey Rourke, Robert De Niro," he said.

So it's more than fortuitous that after the actor's first major gig on a Nickelodeon series, the projects sitting atop his IMDb.com filmography include a forthcoming feature with Rourke ("Ashby") and a small part in a Nancy Meyers-directed De Niro flick ("The Intern").

Wolff, the son of jazz pianist Michael Wolff and actress-producer-director Polly Draper, first came to audiences' attention on Nickelodeon's "The Naked Brothers Band," a musical comedy that centered on Wolff and the real-life band he formed with his brother, Alex, now 16. Draper created and ran the show, which filmed in Brooklyn and captured Wolff from ages 11 to 14.

"I think I was lucky in a way that the show was a huge hit, but it never got so massive that I was never as famous as Justin Bieber or something like that," Wolff says. "I always lived in New York. I was always separate from L.A. and Hollywood."

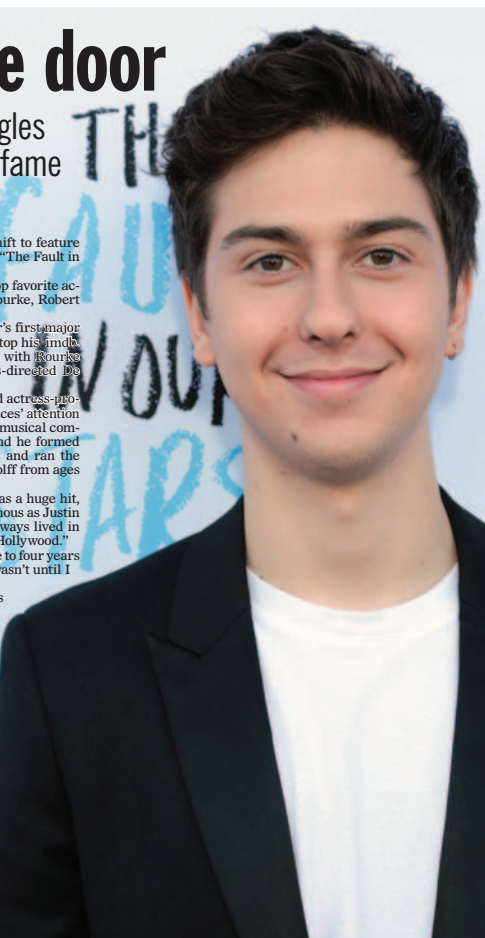
After finishing the show, he said, he spent three to four years touring and playing music with his brother. "It wasn't until I was 17 that I started being in movies," he says.

Wolff studied acting in New York as a teen. His chilling role as the rebellious, attention-seeking Fred in director Gia Coppola's "Palo Alto" is the kind of character-driven work that pushes him as an actor, Wolff says. As Isaac, a blind cancer patient in "The Fault in Our Stars," the actor pressed himself further, wearing contact lenses and glasses that rendered him visionless to immerse himself in the part.

Wolff's upcoming projects include a lead role in the coming film adaptation of John Green's young adult novel "Paper Towns," and continuing to write music with his brother for their band, Nat & Alex Wolff. The band released an album in 2011 and is pushing out new singles.

Nat Wolff, who played an actor and a musician on the Nickelodeon TV show "The Naked Brothers Band," co-stars in "The Fault in Our Stars."

Alex J. Berliner, ABImages/20th Century Fox



'Turtles' top 'Guardians' at box office

From wire reports

Wise-cracking turtles went head-to-head with a talking raccoon and a sentient tree at the multiplexes, and, in the end, the turtles came out on top. Paramount's "Teenage Mutant Ninja Turtles" beat expectations with a strong \$65 million in the U.S. and Canada at the weekend box office, claiming the top spot previously held by Marvel's "Guardians of the Galaxy" and notching the fourth-highest August opening ever.

Heading into the weekend, most box office prognosticators predicted that the big-screen reboot of the 1980s crime-fighting-turtle franchise would earn between \$40 million and \$50 million. But "Turtles" drew a broader and more diverse crowd than expected, with exit data showing that 55 percent of the audience was at least 25 years old.

Though critics shelled "Turtles"—with a mere 19 percent positive rating on the Rotten Tomatoes website—Paramount has announced it's moving ahead with a sequel, which is slated for June 2016.

After making history with the all-time biggest August opening (\$94 million), "Guardians" dropped 56 percent in its second weekend, a stronger hold than many studio tent-pole films have shown this summer. The critically praised space opera took in \$41.5 million. The total worldwide box office for the cosmic romp starring Chris Pratt, Zoe Saldana and Dave Bautista stands at \$313.2 million. Marvel and "Guardians" distributor Disney revealed last month at San Diego Comic-Con that a follow-up is planned for 2017.

In third place, the tornado thriller "Into the Storm" grossed a solid but unspectacular \$18 million. The Helen Mirren-starring feel-good foodie drama "The Hundred-Foot Journey" opened with \$11 million. The weekend's other wide release, "Step Up All In," pulled in just \$6.6 million, coming in behind the action film "Lucy," which took in \$9.3 million in its third weekend.

Other news

■ **Rapper Pitbull** is getting his own SiriusXM radio channel. The channel will feature a weekly show hosted by the Miami native along with music from multiple genres that Pitbull says reflects the tunes he grew up listening to. The channel will also include Pitbull's songs from his early days in Miami along with his current international hits. Pitbull's channel is scheduled to debut in early 2015.

■ **Artwork from "Calvin and Hobbes"** creator Bill Watterson's three-day return to comics has brought more than \$74,000 to auction to benefit Parkinson's research. Watterson collaborated with "Pears Before Swine" cartoonist Stephan Pastis in June.

■ **The adventures of "Frozen"** sisters Anna and Elsa will continue, at least on paper. **Random House Children's Books** announced Aug. 8 that they will launch a new line of books next year tied to the blockbuster Disney movie. The first two books: "Anna & Elsa #1: All Hail the Queen" and "Anna & Elsa #2: Memory and Magic," are scheduled for January. The planned first printing for each book is 150,000 copies. The author will be Erica David, who has written more than 40 children's stories.

■ **Charges have been dropped** against the people accused of causing a disturbance June 14 outside singer Taylor Swift's beachside home in Rhode Island.

Woodley, Elgart among Teen Choice Awards winners

By DERRICK J. LANG
The Associated Press

Shailene Woodley and Ansel Elgart of "The Fault in Our Stars" rode a victorious wave at the Teen Choice Awards.

The actors were honored with several prizes at Sunday's fan-favorite extravaganza, including choice drama movie actor and breakout movie star for Elgart and choice drama and action movie actress for "Divergent" star Woodley. The pair was also awarded the sunburst-shaped trophy for choice movie lip-lock for their "Fault in Our Stars" smooch.

Demi Lovato kicked off the Teen Choice Awards with a performance and a win. After belting out her tune "Really Don't Care," the singer-actress surfs away with awards for choice summer song and choice female summer music star.

Teen Choice Awards co-hosts Tyler Posey of "Teen Wolf" and Sarah Hyland of "Modern Family" said 165 million



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From left: Shailene Woodley, Nat Wolff and Ansel Elgart accept the award for choice drama movie for "The Fault in Our Stars" at the Teen Choice Awards on Sunday in Los Angeles.

votes were cast online for the 16th annual awards, which honor movies, television, music, comedy, sports, fashion and Web

stars in such silly categories as choice hottie, smile and villain, which went to "The Hunger Games" heavy Donald Sutherland.

"You named me the most villainous?" asked Sutherland, who showed up to the casual ceremony in a tuxedo. "My wife—I have been married for 42 years—I my wife asked me to tell you that she agreed with you."

Other winners on hand to claim their trophies included "Pretty Little Liars" star Lucy Hale as choice drama TV show actress, "The Hunger Games" co-star Josh Hutcherson as choice sci-fi/fantasy movie actor and Bethany Mota and Tyler Oakley as choice female and male Web stars.

Zendaya, Ariana Grande and Kevin Hart were among the other stars who showed up to accept awards at the boisterous ceremony, which featured performances from the groups Magic and Rixton.

SHIFTING GEARS

Lab rolls out ideas for fuel-efficient future

By MARK PHELAN
Detroit Free Press

KNOXVILLE, Tenn. — Nestled in the rolling Tennessee hills and forests, the secretive lab that developed power for the Manhattan Project is working to change the auto industry and reduce U.S. dependence on foreign fuel.

Projects underway at Oak Ridge National Laboratory include:

■ An oil additive that may reduce any vehicle's fuel consumption at least 2 percent and cut U.S. oil consumption by billions of gallons a year.

■ A way to slash the cost of carbon fiber so everyday cars and trucks can use the strong, light material that's currently reserved for exotic sport cars.

■ A charging system to eliminate the batteries that currently account for much of electric cars' cost and weight.

The labs and research centers here have worked with the auto industry since the energy crises of the 1970s and 1980s. Oak Ridge helped develop materials, fuels and systems used by millions of vehicles.

The Department of Energy has final approval over all projects with private companies, said Ron Graves, director of the lab's sustainable transportation program.

Making oil more slippery

The oil additive Oak Ridge developed could be the poster child for government research. Senior research scientist Jun Qu worked on it for 10 years, longer than a private company would likely support a project, but the result is a low-cost additive that appears to reduce the fuel consumption of any engine at least 2 percent. That would amount to 2 billion gallons of fuel a year, a massive decrease in emissions and U.S. energy imports.

Qu tested the liquid additive with General Motors, Shell Oil and Lubrizol.

"This technology holds tremendous potential," said Michael Viola, the GM staff research engineer who tested the lubricant at the automaker's Tech Center in Warren, Mich. "We're very pleased GM is working hard to improve the fuel economy and emissions of our vehicles. This is exactly what we wanted."

Qu said the additive reduces the oil's viscosity with no increase in engine wear. Even greater improvements in fuel economy are possible by combining it with other additives already in use, he said.

Oak Ridge will license production to industry, said Jennifer Tonzello Caldwell, of the lab's technology transfer division.

The laboratory will get a royalty from production, like universities do when their discoveries are commercialized.

"GM is pushing to have the additive produced," Qu said. "It could be in production within five years."



Above: A wireless charging receiver is installed on a Toyota Prius at the Oak Ridge National Laboratory in Knoxville, Tenn. Right: Researcher Jun Qu holds a sample of a fuel-saving oil additive he developed. Below: The entrance to the laboratory.

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Affordable carbon fiber

A new process to make carbon fiber could cut the exotic lightweight material's cost nearly 50 percent.

"We're exploring lower-cost raw material to move carbon fiber from niche vehicles to the mass market," said Lee McGerrick, director of Oak Ridge's carbon fiber technology center.

The center has cut the cost to \$7 a pound from \$12 a pound today in cars like the \$1.4-million La Ferrari. The center is working with supplier Faurecia and the Composite Vehicle Research Center at Michigan State University to get carbon fiber into wider production.

"This material has a lot of promise in mass production," said Mahmoodul Haq, Michigan State assistant professor of mechanical engineering. "The Oak Ridge fiber makes it easier to manufacture parts."

"Carbon fiber has been a rich man's game. The fiber from Oak Ridge and the new machine can change that."

Who needs batteries?

Oak Ridge has developed a system that makes inductive charging, which charges batteries without physically connecting to an outlet, as efficient as charging through a plug, said Madhu Chinthavali, team leader of Oak Ridge's power electronics group.

"We're working on dynamic wireless charging," where the charging coils are buried in the road and the car doesn't need expensive batteries to store electricity, Chinthavali said. That would cut the cost and energy consumption of electric vehicles.

The lab is also developing electric motors that don't use rare-earth minerals. The U.S. is dependent on other countries, primarily China, for most rare earths.

Oak Ridge is also the largest domestic battery lab. It's developing less expensive, more powerful batteries for electric cars.

"We don't want to be dependent on importing battery technology in a similar way we are dependent on importing foreign oil," said David Wood, fuel cell technologies program manager.



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Above: Susan L. Gibbs, of Chevy Chase, Md., left commission since 1969 and slowly rusting away the ship.



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Top and above: The SS United States sits across the street from the parking lot of an Ikea store in Philadelphia in early July.

Descendant of iconi

BY MICHAEL E. RUANE
The Washington Post

PHILADELPHIA — Susan Gibbs, wearing a sleeveless blue dress and sandals, holds a small flashlight as she descends into the interior of her crumbling transatlantic ocean liner.

"Watch your step," says the maintenance worker leading the way.

Past the abandoned crew quarters they walk, voices echoing, and into the cavernous room with an empty swimming pool, unused for 40 years. "Here we go," she says. "Who wants to dive in?"

A Washington, D.C., resident, Gibbs once got lost wandering this ship. "It was so strange," she says. "You can get disoriented."

Farther into the gloom they descend, from C Deck to D Deck, then through a huge door like that of a refrigerator. "It's over here," she says — indicating a floor-to-ceiling metal box in the corner.

The ship's morgue: two vacant bays, with doors and little slots for the name tags.

Of all the places on the rusting behemoth that Gibbs, 52, is trying to save from the scrap yard, the most may be the most pristine.

The rest of the 53,000-ton SS United States, which was designed by her illustrious grandfather, William Francis Gibbs and launched in 1951, is a landscape of peeling paint, cobwebs and vanished grandeur.

The legendary vessel was 100 feet longer and 10 tons heavier than the Titanic. It was one of the fastest liners built and the epitome of the suave, modern American style of the '50s.

But it has been out of commission since 1969, killed by the advent of the jetliner.

Stripped, bedraggled and moldering on the Delaware River for the past 18 years, the ship costs more than \$60,000 a month just to keep docked.

Now, Gibbs is fighting what may be the final battle to preserve it — as a tribute to a bygone era and as someone, a money-making enterprise.

The dream is to fix it up so it can be moved to New York, its original homeport, where developers could turn it into a museum, as well as exhibit, retail and living space.

But it could cost a fortune — upward of \$10 million to start and as much \$300 million, depending on how the ship is ultimately used.

The SS United States Conservancy has owned the ship since 2011, thanks to a donation of \$3 million from a local philanthropist, H.F. "Gerry" Lenfest. Gibbs and her husband have contributed another \$2,500 to the project. And Gibbs, as the conservancy's full-time unpaid executive director, has devoted years to it.

The conservancy raises money through donations from the public, private foundations and corporations and in other ways.

In June, as the group was about to sell off one of the ship's propellers, cruise industry executive



MICHAEL S. WILLIAMSON/The Washington Post



Courtesy of The SS United States Conservancy

it, shown with the SS United States in Philadelphia in July, is the granddaughter of the ship's architect, William Francis Gibbs, right. The SS United States, out of
y at a waterfront pier for 18 years, has been the subject of numerous failed "save our ship" campaigns. Below, a souvenir log from the 1950s that could be purchased on

c ocean liner's designer struggles to preserve ship from the scrap yard

Pollin, a conservancy member and the son of the late Washington sports team owner Abe Pollin, donated \$120,000, with an offer to match \$100,000 more.

But that money will go fast.

Although the conservancy is optimistic about its negotiations with potential developers, it has enough docking money to last only into the fall. If negotiations fall through and docking money runs out, it will have to sell the ship for scrap.

"It's now or never," Gibbs said of the situation.

A consultant for charitable foundations, Gibbs said she has taken on the task for posterity and as a way to mend her family saga.

Her grandfather was a legendary but now largely forgotten naval architect whose name faded along with the era of the great transatlantic ocean liner. Although a bronze bust of him now sits before the fireplace in her home off Washington's Wisconsin Avenue, for many years she knew almost nothing about him.

His design for the SS United States was his masterpiece.

She is also trying to save the ship for her late father, Frank, who died of brain cancer in 1995. He was the designer's eldest biological son, and he became a small-town radio newscaster. But he lived his life in his demanding father's shadow, Gibbs said, and rarely spoke of him when she was growing up.

And she is doing it for herself. She said she has become entranced by the ship's massive presence and has been moved by all the people who over the years have had connections to its story.

"This ship has to be saved," she said. "It's beyond me and my family. There's a potency and a power that lives on. We can't let it go."

S.S. United States maiden voyage Vera Cravath Gibbs

... As I opened the door to the boat deck, I nearly had my head blown off. There was such a gale. There was wind, rain and fog... I struggled up forward and I found a good place behind an iron screen which is placed across the end of the deck...

... At this very moment we were tearing along at thirty-five knots!

Of course, the gale, the fog, the rain and dawn just breaking, made the official end of the run a fearfully dramatic moment.

By 6:15, I went down to the promenade and joined in the jollification. ... There was dancing, singing, and finally, a snake dance up and down the deck...

The trip of trips was now drawing to a close.

When I look back on the weeks, months and years that W.F. spent on the U.S. I wonder how his optimism remained undiminished... why the well-spring of [his] enthusiasm didn't dry up. ...

It was July 1952, and New York socialite Vera Cravath Gibbs, the wife of the ship's designer, was recounting in a diary the last festive hours of the SS United States' first — and record-breaking — Atlantic crossing.

The sleek liner, loaded with 1,660 passengers, including the designer and his wife, had left New York at noon July 3 and dashed across the ocean in just under 3½ days, setting a record that still stands.

It was a triumph for W.F., as his wife referred to him, for his ultra-modern, steel and aluminum liner and for American shipbuilding and design.

Everything on the vessel, except for the hand-operated windshield wipers on the bridge, was modern: the cut of the bow, the engines, the four propellers — even the two huge smokestacks.

The decor was the latest, too. Upholstery was made of a fireproof fabric

called Dynel, according to a book about the ship and its designer by Steven Ujifusa.

There was almost no wood. Trim and decorations were made of glass, metal and fire-resistant asbestos board, long since removed.

It was a \$79 million "fairly palace," Vera Cravath Gibbs wrote, according to Ujifusa — built to carry the era's stars, politicians, artists and royalty in 1950s luxury.

And it would all soon be obsolete.

Growing up in Brunswick, Maine, a young Susan Gibbs often would visit her grandmother, Vera, at the seaside summer home her grandfather designed in Rockport, Mass. He had died at age 81 in 1967, when Susan Gibbs was 5, and she has only vague memories of him as "a gaunt, tall, dour figure."

The large bronze bust of him now her living room then sat on a pedestal in her grandmother's living room.

"It was always kind of haunted by it as a little girl," she said. "This austere gaze [that] was fixed on the horizon..."

But in her household, her grandfather was seldom mentioned.

"With any story like his, where he was so focused on his... ships and his work, inevitably there was some collateral [family] damage," she said.

She believes her father was a victim.

The ship was her grandfather's true love, "and he would be the first to admit that," she said. "That raises questions for his family, his wife, his sons."

"For my dad, to have his father love something else more... and as a little boy who wasn't perfect and who kind of messed up and didn't do particularly well in school... it was tough fathering."

But it was through her father that she eventually discovered the story of her grandfather.

After her father died, she was cleaning out his house and garage in Florida, looking for keepsakes of him.

Instead, she found boxes packed with her grandfather's mementos. A portrait of him in his trademark fedora and wire-rim glasses on the cover of Time magazine. Profiles in Fortune magazine and The New Yorker, she said. Copies of his speeches.

Here was a man who, along with the firm he co-founded, Gibbs & Cox, had created designs used for thousands of ships over a career that lasted half a century.

She had no idea he was so famous. "This guy... was an American original," she said she thought.

She wondered if any of his ships were still around.

Back below decks, near the morgue, Susan Gibbs poked around in the darkness by flashlight.

Near the floor, red, white and blue circular stickers with the words "United States Lines Tourist Class" were plastered. "That's interesting," she said. "These are luggage tags."

She thanked the maintenance worker for conducting the tour and headed topside.

She had said that while searching for her grandfather's ships, she discovered that his only surviving ocean liner was the SS United States. It was docked in Philadelphia and was then owned by a New Jersey-based businessman who wanted to sell it.

In 2001, she and her husband and one of their children made a pilgrimage to see the ship. They got special permission to go on board and were stunned. It felt like a huge mausoleum, she said.

The once-glorious symbol of the United States had faded into neglect. It had been forgotten by everyone, she said, "including me."

In the sunshine up on deck, one day last month, the blue ropes holding the ship to the yellow mooring bollards on Pier 82 hung slack. The great ship has been known to strain against its ropes in a stiff wind and is said to have once yanked out one of the bollards and flung it the length of the pier.

This day, though, there was only a light breeze blowing off the Delaware. Upstream, a modern freighter had backed into the river from its pier, and a barge glided north. Overhead, jetliners whined as they headed for the international airport a few miles downstream.



AMERICAN ROUNDUP

Skid loader overturns in manure pit, killing teen

PA LANCASTER — Authorities said a 15-year-old Pennsylvania boy was driving a piece of farm machinery when it overturned in a manure pit, killing him.

The Lancaster County coroner said Jonas King was operating a skid loader Saturday morning when it flipped into the pit on his family's farm in Leacock Township.

Police said the boy was completely submerged when emergency personnel arrived. It took rescue crews more than an hour to pull him out.

King was pronounced dead at the scene. The coroner said the cause was asphyxia.

2 men struck by cars while lying in roadway

FL TAMPA — One man died and another was seriously injured after they were struck by two cars while lying in the middle of a southwest Florida road, authorities said.

Florida Highway Patrol officials said Stacey Arthur Butcher, 42, of New Port Richey, and Christopher Momier, 24, of Gibsonton, were lying on an unlit road Friday night wearing dark clothes. Two cars ran over the men. Authorities said both drivers stopped their cars.

Butcher died at the scene. Momier sustained serious injuries and was transported to Bayonet Point Medical Center.

The crash remains under investigation. It's unclear why the men were laying in the roadway.

Man accused of stealing feminine items

ND VALLEY CITY — Police said a 37-year-old North Dakota man is accused of stealing feminine items and "intimate clothing" from a woman's home.

Police said a woman noticed clothing such as a swimsuit bottom and other feminine items missing from her home during the past two months. Police said she set up a trail camera in her home and caught an image of the suspect Thursday.

The woman turned the image over to police and told them the man was her neighbor. Police arrested Corey Mertz on Friday and found several of the stolen items at his home.

Police: Man tried to rob hospice for drugs

MO ST. LOUIS — A St. Louis County police spokesman said an armed man entered a hospice home looking for narcotics before fleeing after the man was her neighbor. Police arrested Corey Mertz on Friday and found several of the stolen items at his home.

St. Anthony's Medical Center media relations coordinator Joe Poelker said the report of an armed intruder came into security about 6:30 a.m. Saturday and the campus was locked down.

Officer Brian Schellman said no one was hurt and said it "looks like a failed robbery attempt."

Schellman said the man, armed

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1 The number of nutria killed by federal wildlife agents in the first week of an eradication effort around Capitol Lake in Olympia, Wash. State officials said the wildlife agents saw 12 of the swimming rodents and shot one in the first week of after-dark hunting. The beaver-sized animals that originated in South America are known for burrowing, clogging roadbeds, and damaging structures and vegetation. About three dozen of the animals are believed to be living around the lake.



NICK TOMCEK, NORTHWEST (FORT WALTON BEACH) FLORIDA DAILY NEWS/AP

Paddle battle

Beth Deacy, dressed as Gumby the clay animation character Gumby, right, jousts against Matt McCarty on Saturday during Paddle for the Promise at the Fort Walton Yacht Club in Fort Walton Beach, Fla. The event benefited Covenant Hospice.

with a handgun, walked into the de Greeff Hospice House and directed a nurse to take him to where the narcotics were.

The nurse started walking with the man toward the back of the building, and then ran. Schellman said the armed man ran out of an unlocked door likely before police arrived.

Judge: Commandments monument must go

NM BLOOMFIELD — A federal judge on Thursday ruled that a New Mexico city must remove a monument inscribed with the Ten Commandments from the lawn in front of Bloomfield City Hall.

Senior U.S. District Judge James A. Parker said in his ruling in a lawsuit filed by the American Civil Liberties Union that the monument amounts to government speech and has the "principal effect of endorsing religion."

Because of the context and history surrounding the granite monument, Parker said Bloomfield clearly violated the First Amendment's Establishment Clause. He gave a Sept. 10 deadline for its removal.

The suit was filed in 2012 on

behalf of two Bloomfield residents who practice the Wiccan religion.

The city has 30 days to file an appeal. City attorney Ryan Lane said he will review the opinion and tell the city council if there is basis for one.

The 6-foot-tall monument was erected in July 2011 by a former city councilor and weighs 3,000 pounds.

Man gets prison in fundraising scam

OH COLUMBUS — A man who fraudulently collected money for a veterans' charity he didn't represent has been sentenced to three years in prison.

Joseph Steward was arrested in October after soliciting door-to-door donations in Columbus for the Wounded Warrior Project. The charity told police it doesn't solicit door-to-door, it never received any money raised by Steward and that he didn't represent the group.

Steward, 45, pleaded guilty to single felony counts of prohibited acts, tampering with records and impersonating an officer.

A message seeking com-

ment was left for his attorney on Friday.

The court ordered Steward to pay nearly \$1,600 in restitution to the Wounded Warrior Project.

Police said more than 300 people may have been victims of the fraud.

Attorney general: Ban e-cigarette flavors

IL CHICAGO — Illinois Attorney General Lisa Madigan is urging the federal government to strengthen its proposed regulations for electronic cigarettes to include a ban on the sale of flavored products.

Madigan and 28 other state attorneys general submitted comments Friday to the U.S. Food and Drug Administration on its proposed e-cigarette rules.

The FDA proposal is the first step toward regulating the battery-powered devices that allow users to inhale vapor from a heated liquid nicotine solution.

Madigan and the other attorneys general say flavored e-cigarettes attract children and teenagers to the products. They're urging the FDA to prohibit flavors other than tobacco and menthol.

They also want the FDA to make e-cigarettes subject to the same advertising and marketing restrictions as tobacco products.

1 killed, 3 injured after pizza oven hits car

CA PETALUMA — The Santa Rosa Press Democrat reported that a man was killed and three people, including two children, were injured Friday night outside Petaluma when a large brick pizza oven towed by a catering van broke loose and careened into their car.

California Highway Patrol Officer Andrew Barclay said the silver Honda Accord, which contained two adults and two children, had been waiting to turn onto a highway about 7:30 p.m. when it was struck by the trailer carrying the pizza oven.

Barclay said the driver of the Honda, a male adult, died at the scene. A woman and a small boy who were riding in the Honda were taken by ambulance to a local hospital. The officer said a young girl, also in the Honda, was airlifted to Children's Hospital in Oakland.

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U.S. and Kurdish flags flutter in the wind while displaced Iraqis from the Yazidi community cross the Syria-Iraq border at Feeshkhabor bridge over the Tigris River in northern Iraq on Sunday.

Why US is bombing in Iraq, not in Syria

BY ADAM TAYLOR
 The Washington Post

If you had said, one year ago, that the United States would have been militarily involved in a Middle East crisis, few people would have batted an eyelid. President Barack Obama had spent months trying to convince the American public and Congress that the U.S. needed to intervene militarily in Syria.

However, the way that intervention has panned out would surely surprise many. The United States is not intervening against Bashar Assad and the Syrian regime, as Obama had proposed. Instead, it is striking one of Assad's biggest enemies, the extremist militia that calls itself the Islamic State. And this intervention is not in Syria, but in neighboring Iraq.

Obama's calls for intervention in Syria ultimately failed, and now bombs are falling in Iraq. Why? There are five big factors.

1. **There was strong opposition to intervention in Syria.** When Obama pushed for military action against the Syrian regime last year, other countries resisted. Russian President Vladimir Putin, a key ally of Assad's, even went so far as to write a chiding op-ed in The New York Times (which looks a little ridiculous after Crimea, but still). Iran, another key Syrian ally, also resisted.

Even among European nations that supported the rebels, the support wasn't powerful. In Britain, Prime Minister David Cameron suffered a humiliating political defeat when he asked parliament to support intervention. France, perhaps the most hawkish of the European nations, refused to take the lead.

One key factor was that in both the U.S. and Europe, multiple polls showed that, even if it was horrified by the Assad regime's excesses, the public just didn't support military intervention.

2. **The Islamic State is both isolated and a threat to the United States.** The Islamic State has few allies. Big, international powers such as Russia do not support it, and important regional powers such as Iran are opposed to it. Even al-Qaida, the group that birthed the Islamic State, is now against it. While the group is believed to receive funding from groups in Saudi Arabia and Qatar, no one will complain if U.S. forces decimate the Islamic State. Britain and France have also, tentatively, indicated that they may join military action.

Even so, the Islamic State, as isolated

as it is, could pose a threat to the United States. If nothing else, it's displaced al-Qaida as the international face of Islamist extremism. There are now Islamic State "gift shops" in Istanbul, and its flag flies in London. Its practical threat may be limited at present, but in the future it could grow. Norway recently announced it had received a warning that Islamist fighters were returning from the Syrian civil war were planning a terror attack.

The Islamic State apparently relishes the idea of taking the fight to the U.S. "Don't be cowards and attack us with drones. Instead send your soldiers, the ones we humiliated in Iraq," Abu Mosa, a spokesman for the group, says in a new documentary from Vice News. "We will humiliate them everywhere. God willing, and we will raise the flag of Allah in the White House."

3. **As the Syrian War dragged on, it became less clear who the enemy really was.** The plan to intervene in Syria was based around the idea of routing regime troops. The problem was that as the war dragged on, it became less and less clear who would benefit from such intervention. Would extremist groups such as the Islamic State fill the void? The concern became a sticking point for both right-wing opponents of intervention in the United States and foreign leaders such as Putin, who noted that there were "more than enough Qaida fighters and extremists of all stripes battling the government."

"Some of the more extremist opposition is very scary from an American perspective, and that presents us with all sorts of problems," Ari Ratner, a fellow at the Truman National Security Project and former Middle East adviser in the Obama State Department, told The New York Times last April. "We have no illusions about the prospect of engaging with the Assad regime."

It must still go, but we are also very reticent to support the more hard-line rebels." The current situation in Libya, where the post-Moammar Gadhafi political landscape has been dominated by violent extremist groups, seems another warning.

The argument cut the other way, too. If the U.S. struck the Islamic State in Syria, such action would not only present the Syrian regime with an opening, but it could also set back the Syrian rebels that Washington actually wants to support.

4. **The situation in Iraq right now means that limited airstrikes can make a difference.** So far at least, this is a limited intervention, with limited targets. Laser-guided 500-pound bombs have been dropped, specifically targeting artillery being used by

Islamic State fighters to attack Kurdish forces defending Irbil. The current situation in Iraq means that limited involvement like this can have a big impact, and while the Islamic State forces have shown themselves to be smart tactical fighters, they have limited means when fighting an assault from the air.

"Cities aside, most of Iraq looks like a brown billiards table," Andrew Exum, a former U.S. Army officer and prominent expert on the Middle East, tweeted Friday. "Open terrain + artillery/armored pieces = Christmas for USAF/USN aviators."

Iraq's central government and the Kurdish regional powers are also keen for U.S. intervention. As far back as June, the Iraqi government was actually criticizing the U.S. for not providing air support yet. "This is not only endangering Iraq, but the whole world," Ali al-Musawi, a government spokesman in Baghdad, said at the time.

5. **The United States feels a duty to act.** In a speech defending his decision to take military action in Iraq, Obama mentioned the U.S. military personnel currently in Irbil and how he has a duty to protect them. But it's worth thinking about why those troops are there in the first place. Irbil is a regional capital for Iraq's Kurds, who have proven to be key allies for Washington in Iraq and will be vital in any plans to return Iraq to a functioning state. The U.S. and Iraq's Kurds have a long, complicated history that also plays a factor here.

Then there's the pressing issue of the Yazidis, a Kurdish-speaking minority that has been targeted by the Islamic State. At one point as many as 40,000 were stranded on a mountain in Iraq, dying of hunger and thirst. The Washington Post reported. "When we face a situation like we do on that mountain," Obama said in a statement late Thursday, "and when we have the unique capabilities to help avert a massacre, I believe the United States of America should not turn a blind eye." Officials have suggested that the Yazidis' situation could amount to "genocide."

Then, of course, there's the U.S. legacy in the region. Many of Iraq's current problems are a direct or indirect result of the 2003 U.S. invasion of Iraq. While the Obama administration and much of the public at large likely loathe the idea of wider military action, there is still a sense that this is our mess, and we have to help fix it.

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OPINION

Iran spots trend, holds out for a better deal

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Why has Iran's supreme leader, Ayatollah Ali Khamenei, agreed to the offer the West put on the table in Vienna last month in negotiations over the country's nuclear activities? If he were simply motivated by economics, he certainly should have.

Iran's fully accessible hard-currency reserves are low, perhaps below \$20 billion. Even within the limitations of the Joint Plan of Action concluded in November, Tehran has received around \$4.2 billion in cash relief from unfrozen hard-currency accounts. Another \$2.5 billion is forthcoming with the plan's four-month extension. Billions more have been gained indirectly since the United States and Europe ceased escalating sanctions; one can see the effects through the halving of Iran's inflation rate, the stabilization of its exchange rate and an increase in gross national product. The Iranian leadership has been told, tens of billions of dollars would likely start flowing into Iranian banks.

Furthermore, Iran is well aware that the European Union oil embargo was a rare act of consensus, brought on in part by the combative style of former President Mahmoud Ahmadinejad. Many European states feel they have little at stake in the Middle East, and others, such as Germany, Italy and Great Britain, have had substantial trade with the Islamic Republic. Nuclear concessions by Iran could easily lead rapidly to the lifting of the embargo.

Although Tehran might still have to negotiate with the United States, the end to the embargo would probably mean that Europe would never again be a major player in sanctions — even if the mullahs were later caught cheating on a nuclear deal. President Hassan Rouhani has often stressed the need to use Europe against the United States; it's a good bet that a pri-

mary political objective for Tehran is to shatter Western unity on the nuclear issue. Khamenei's obstinacy puts that at risk.

Nor is the West even trying arduously to deny Tehran the capacity to build nuclear weapons. Negotiators have recognized the regime's "right" to uranium enrichment; they appear ready to accept several thousand operational centrifuges and Iran's "right" to advanced centrifuge research and development at the buried-in-the-mountain Fordow site. President Barack Obama has also accepted the idea of a "sunset clause" on any agreement (Tehran has suggested three to seven years; Washington wants more than 10), which means that eventually the regime could legally develop an industrial-scale enrichment program, reducing its bomb breakout time to days and increasing the risk of uranium diversion to covert sites. The White House has also largely ignored concerns of the International Atomic Energy Agency about weaponization research, leaving those troublesome questions to separate talks between the IAEA and Tehran.

Questions about Iran's intercontinental ballistic missile program are being redefined. The administration no longer seeks to stop the development of long-range missiles, just nuclear warheads, even though warhead production is nearly impossible to detect, especially without an intrusive inspection regime. Obama appears content to keep inspections limited to known nuclear sites; Iran won't have to agree to give IAEA inspectors unchallenged access to any suspicious location. The White House also seems to have dropped the demand that the heavy-water facility at the Arak plant convert to a light-water reactor, which produces hard-to-extract plutonium. The emphasis at Arak is now on frequent inspections and a reduction in reactor fuel.

All in all, the United States has offered a very good deal, yet Khamenei hasn't bitten. It's quite possible that the cleric just



expects to win more concessions from a U.S. president allergic to conflict in the Middle East. Much has been made of the salutary effect of sanctions on the regime's embrace of diplomacy; too little has been made of Tehran's longtime strategy to get the West to accept its continuing nuclear progress. Diplomacy for the regime has always been a path to the bomb, and that is especially true for Rouhani, who believes he used diplomacy between 2003 and 2005 to protect his country's atomic quest from a war-mongering George W. Bush. Rouhani has surely told Khamenei that the more the West extends diplomacy, the more concessions it makes and, thus, the smoother Iran's transition to a nuclear-armed state.

But such diplomatic maneuvering is difficult for Khamenei. He loathes America and doesn't appear to share Rouhani's fondness for using Europe against the United States. In his view, bowing to Westerners is a sin. Rouhani has a long-stand-

ing, friendly relationship with Khamenei, but he may not be able to persuade his boss to let Obama surrender with some face.

No one should be surprised if the supreme leader doesn't allow negotiations to drag on beyond November, the new deadline, even if the West offers more economic relief. If talks end, the White House could try to bolster its diplomacy with more sanctions and a congressional authorization to use military force. The odds of such an approach working, however, aren't good. The White House's palpable fear of conventional conflict, which Khamenei regularly mocks, and the West's track record of giving ground in talks, probably proves in Khamenei's eyes the strategic wisdom of his nuclear aspirations.

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One way to end the 2nd-term curse: no 2nd term

By LAWRENCE SUMMERS

Disillusionment with Washington has rarely run higher. Congress is unable to act even in areas where there is widespread agreement that measures are necessary, such as immigration, infrastructure spending and business tax reform. The Obama administration, rightly or wrongly, is increasingly condemned as ineffectual. What was once a flood of extraordinarily talented people eager to go into government has shrunk to a trickle, and many crucial positions remain unfilled for months or even years. Bipartisan compromise seems inconceivable on profoundly important long-term challenges such as climate change, national security strategy and the need to strengthen entitlement programs in a fiscally responsible way.

It is tempting and, surely to some limited extent, right to blame all this on a failure of leadership by top policymakers. And structural factors such as increased polarization of the electorate and the ever-growing role of money in politics surely contribute.

Yet it is worth contemplating the slump in the context of the declining American political regularity. Second presidential terms are almost without exception very difficult for the president and his team, for the government and for the country. Consider the history:

George W. Bush's second term began with a major effort to reform Social Security and was then defined by the debacle of

Hurricane Katrina and the nation's plunge into financial crisis. His most significant policy steps — large structural tax cuts, redefinition of the federal role in education, the introduction of prescription drug benefits to Medicare and reorientation of national security strategy toward the threat of terrorism — all took place during his first term.

Bill Clinton's second term will be remembered for scandal and his impeachment by the House. His most important legislative accomplishments — such as major moves to balance the budget, reforming welfare to support work rather than dependency, expansion of health insurance benefits — took place in his first term.

Ronald Reagan's second term was marked by the Iran-Contra scandal and a sense of a president who had become remote from much of the work of his administration. While the Tax Reform Act of 1986 was important, his most significant legacies — big tax and spending cuts, deregulation and a major defense buildup — largely occurred during his first term.

Richard Nixon's second term was not completed because of his resignation over Watergate. The most important policy measures of his administration — the opening to China, withdrawal from Vietnam, the establishment of a major federal role in environmental and other forms of regulation — took place in his first term.

Dwight Eisenhower's second term involved the resignation of his chief of staff and, more important, a growing percep-

tion that the country was suffering from a stifling complacency. It is hard to put to anything to compare to first-term accomplishments such as the withdrawal from Korea and initiation of the interstate highway system.

Harry Truman's second term was marked by the Korean War, scandal, gridlock and extraordinarily low public approval. His important legacies — the Marshall Plan, the containment strategy, the postwar focus on strengthening the economy with measures such as the G.I. Bill and federal housing support — were products of his first term.

Franklin Roosevelt's second term was the least successful part of his presidency, as it saw the failure of his effort to pack the Supreme Court and a major economic relapse in 1938 and no accomplishment remotely comparable to the New Deal or his wartime leadership.

And second terms have what may well be a substantial added cost. A large part of what presidents do during their first terms, particularly in the latter half, is directed at securing re-election rather than any longer-term objective.

Would U.S. government function better if presidents were limited to one term, perhaps of six years? The unfortunate, bipartisan experience with second terms suggests the issue is worthy of debate. The historical record helps make the case for change.

The reason why the record is not dispositive, however, is suggested by the term

"lame duck." As the phrase suggests, leaders nearing the end of their time in office lose the ability to influence other actors by offering future rewards and punishments or by making deals where they commit to future actions. If this is the main reason why second terms are difficult, then removing the possibility of re-election could simply pull the problems forward into first terms.

This is the reason why many scholars regard the current constitutional limit of two presidential terms as problematic. However, reviewing the fairly dismal experience of second terms, my guess is that problems caused by lame-duck effects are much smaller than those caused by a toxic combination of hubris and exhaustion after the extraordinary effort that a president and his team must exert to achieve re-election. But the issue requires much more study and debate.

The belief that this time will be different usually precedes trouble, and so it has been with second terms. On the night of their re-election, all re-elected presidents expect to beat the second-term curse. At least since the Civil War, none has. And we have been governed by re-elected presidents for about 40 percent of the last century. National reflection on reform is overdue.

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Manziel, Hoyer both work with 1st team

Browns' QB competition in home stretch

The Associated Press

BEREA, Ohio — The Cleveland Browns' quarterback derby is heading down the homestretch.

Coach Mike Pettine said Sunday he plans to name his starting quarterback shortly after the team's Aug. 18 preseason game in Washington.



Hoyer

The winner of the competition between Brian Hoyer and rookie Johnny Manziel will start Cleveland's third preseason contest — Aug. 23 at home against the Rams — and sit out its final game Aug. 28 against Chicago.

"I wouldn't say it's 1,000 percent etched in stone, but I would like it decided before the third preseason game," Pettine said. "If we have a starter that gets a lot of time in that game, then has all the practice time after that, we feel like he'll be ready to go for the opener."

Hoyer tops the Browns' official depth chart, but he will split first-team snaps with 2012 Heisman Trophy winner Manziel at training camp this week.

Pettine declined to say who would start Cleveland's next preseason game, a nationally televised matchup with the Redskins,

calling the battle "too close to call."

"If there was a clear-cut favorite at this point, it would probably mean one of them was not playing well," the first-year coach said. "That's not the case here. I think we've got two guys that could be full-time NFL starters. It will all come down to who gives us the best chance to win."

Hoyer, who is recovering from reconstructive right knee surgery, started the Browns' preseason opener Saturday in Detroit. He completed six of 14 passes for 92 yards, leading the first-team offense to two field goals in three drives in a 13-12 loss.

Manziel was 7-for-11 for 63 yards while playing most of the second quarter and all of the third. The No. 22 overall draft pick out of Texas A&M drove Cleveland's second- and third-teamers to one field goal in four possessions.

"Brian got 24 snaps, Johnny got 25, and I thought they both settled in quickly and were solid," Pettine said. "They had different supporting casts, but it was good tape for both of them. Both operated the offense efficiently, but I also thought there were plays they would like back."

Neither quarterback was sacked or committed a turnover, while displaying their unique skill sets against the Lions' aggressive defensive line.

Manziel, who is listed at 6-foot and 210 pounds, was eager to roll out and improve as he did in college. He scrambled five times for 26 yards, including a 16-yard gain



RICK OSENTOSKI/AP

Cleveland Browns quarterback Johnny Manziel scrambles against the Lions in a preseason game at Ford Field in Detroit on Saturday. Browns' head coach Mike Pettine has said he would like to be able to name the teams' starting quarterback shortly after the team's preseason matchup with the Washington Redskins on Aug. 18.

on third-and-8, and avoided most contact.

"Johnny does have a certain skill set that we hope to take advantage of," Pettine said. "If he is out there, we're going to look at everything involved."

The 6-2, 215-pound Hoyer stayed strong in the pocket despite pressure from Ndamukong Suh and Nick Fairley, taking several hits in his first action since tearing his anterior cruciate ligament last Oct. 3 against Buffalo. He went 3-0 as the Browns' starter before the injury.

Both general manager Ray Farmer and Pettine have said they would prefer start-

ing the season with a veteran — like sixth-year pro Hoyer — under center. It remains to be seen if it is a close call when they have to make a decision on the starter.

"Johnny has made some improvement, a lot of improvement since minicamp," Pettine said. "As we've said before, it was him against the playbook, and he's got a pretty firm grasp of it. He's really gone from one extreme to another."

"Brian, on the other hand, has been solid all the way through. It's not going to be an easy choice, but we're confident that we'll make the right one."

Experience not an issue for Brees' backup

By BRETT MARTEL

The Associated Press

WHITESULPHURSPRINGS, W.Va. — If record-setting, 13-year veteran Drew Brees misses any meaningful action this season, the next Saints quarterback in line could be a second-year pro without a single regular-season snap to his name.

Ryan Griffin, signed last year as an undrafted rookie out of Tulane, is establishing himself as a serious contender to unseat 10-year veteran Luke McCown as Brees' primary backup.

And it does not appear that Griffin's relative lack of experience is much of a concern to coach Sean Payton.

"That's not going to be a factor as to where we see him this season," Payton said about Griffin after practice on Sunday evening.

If the decision is based more on preseason production, Griffin is off to a strong start.

Because of a left oblique muscle strain that has kept Brees from practicing more than week, McCown and Griffin saw the most action in Friday night's 26-24 preseason victory at St. Louis.

Griffin was 16-for-23 for 179 yards. He led the Saints on four



SCOTT KANE/AP

New Orleans Saints quarterback Ryan Griffin passes against the Rams during Friday's preseason game in St. Louis. Despite being signed as an undrafted rookie out of Tulane last year and never taking a regular-season snap in the NFL, Griffin is a serious contender to unseat 10-year veteran Luke McCown for the Saints' backup quarterback position.

scoring drives, three of which ended in touchdowns.

McCown, who started the game and played the first two series,

was 7-for-10 for 49 yards with one interception. His second series ended with a field goal.

Though the numbers were

skewed in Griffin's favor, he had more snaps, and Payton showed little interest in saying whether one played better than the other.

"Luke played well in his role," Payton said. "I wouldn't say anything coming off of that game in regards to the two of them. It's just nice to be able to get them snaps."

Still, it's apparent the Saints see long-term potential in Griffin. Last season, the Rams tried to sign Griffin off the Saints' practice squad, so the Saints made a move to keep Griffin by promoting him to the active roster.

Payton said it would be "fair" to infer from that roster move that the Saints saw Griffin as "someone that we felt like developed and we wanted to protect."

Griffin's teammates often compliment him on his confident body language as he gets the offense out of the huddle and makes calls at the line of scrimmage. Griffin, though, is careful when speaking publicly not to sound overconfident.

"Getting moved up last year on the active roster definitely confirmed some thoughts that I had that maybe they'd keep me around, but I know that in this league NFL stands for "not for long," Griffin said. "Every practice they're evaluating what you can do, so you never really feel safe."

NFL

Raiders vets look to instill right mindset

Oakland brought in experienced players this offseason to help lead, mold a young roster

By JOSH DUBOW
The Associated Press

NAPA, Calif. — When practice ends, that's when some of the most critical teaching starts for the Oakland Raiders.

Proven veterans like Justin Tuck, James Jones and Charles Woodson can often be seen pulling aside young players to answer questions and offer tidbits on the intricacies of the game in a manner no coach can.

"Sometimes we don't always speak the right language as coaches," coach Dennis Allen said. "Those guys have a great ability to relate to each other. Sometimes we might speak in a certain language and a veteran player can maybe bring it back down on a level that's a little bit easier to comprehend or understand."

Instead of rebuilding through youth, Raiders general manager Reggie McKenzie spent the offseason adding older players with Super Bowl pedigrees to help change a losing culture built over the past decade.

It's a move right out of late owner Al Davis' playbook. Davis often looked for veterans who had worn out their welcome on one team to help build some of the Raiders' most successful teams.

The Raiders hope this year's additions of players such as Tuck, Jones, Maurice Jones-Drew, La-Marr Woodley, Antonio Smith, Carlos Rogers and Tarell Brown can have a similar impact to the one Jerry Rice, Rod Woodson and Bill Romanowski had in helping Oakland win the 2002 AFC championship.

"I see a lot of similarities in it," said Woodson, a young player on that team more than a decade ago who was brought back last year for his leadership.

That 2002 team that made it to the Super Bowl before losing to Tampa Bay is the last success-



ERIC RISOBER/AP

Oakland defensive end Justin Tuck, left, and outside linebacker Kevin Burnett stretch during training camp in Napa, Calif. Proven veterans such as Tuck, James Jones and Charles Woodson have been pulling aside young players to answer questions and offer advice in a manner no coach can.

‘Those guys have a great ability to relate to each other.’

Dennis Allen
Raiders coach

ful one in Oakland. Since then, the Raiders have gone 11 straight seasons without a winning record or a playoff berth, including back-to-back four-win campaigns under the leadership of McKenzie and Dennis Allen.

The focus those first two years was tearing down the team and getting rid of out-of-whack contracts and putting the salary cap situation back in order.

With money to spend this offseason, the Raiders used most of it on players in their 30s with a history of success in their past and questions about how much they had left for the future.

"Every team wants to get younger, they push a lot of the older guys out, guys who can still play the game," said Woodson, who had that happen in Green Bay following the 2012 season. "I

don't think there's any question that [experience] is undervalued. So it's going to be our job, to show that, 'Hey man, our best days are not behind us just because other people say our best days are behind us.'"

The offseason moves didn't generate much excitement around the NFL, with many critics saying the Raiders put together a Pro Bowl team, only from 2009 instead of this year.

Most of the new additions were unwanted by their former teams, who either believed the players were on the downside of their careers or not worth the hefty contracts they earned with stellar play in their 20s.

"They can criticize all they want," defensive tackle Antonio Smith said. "But Tuck, me and Wood outstat probably 80 to 90 percent of the younger players. So as long as we keep producing, age don't mean anything. If I can still disrupt and help my team, I don't care how old they say I am. ... Wisdom is a lot better than young legs."

That wisdom trickles down to the younger players like first-round linebacker Khalil Mack, who is soaking up all the knowledge he can get as a rookie.

Mack said Tuck has taught him the importance of using his hands as a pass rusher and Woodley has shown him how to be more physical matching up against big tight ends.

"It'd be dumb for me to not ask questions especially knowing the skill level they play with and they're pretty much the best in the game when it comes to pass rushing," he said. "I have to ask those questions."

Mack is far from alone, with Woodson giving advice to defensive backs, Jones pulling aside young receivers and Smith and Tuck tutoring up-and-coming defense linemen on the tools of the trade.

As much as the veterans were brought in to instill a winning culture and teach young players in Oakland, that won't end up maturing much if they can't play at a level at least close to where they were when they were making Pro Bowls and winning Super Bowls.

"I can sit up and talk you all deaf all day," Tuck said. "None of that is really going to mean much until we go out there and do it, just like I can sit here and tell them, well this is what we did to win championships. None of that is going to mean much until I can go out there and show them and that's about it."

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COLLEGE FOOTBALL

Stanford's Shaw embraces RB competition

BY ANTONIO GONZALEZ
The Associated Press

STANFORD, Calif. — Stanford coach David Shaw is beginning this season the same way he has his first three: preaching a running back-by-committee approach in training camp.

That never seems to last long on The Farm. From Toby Gerhart to Stephan Taylor to Tyler Gaffney, Stanford has seamlessly replaced one NFL draft pick in the backfield with another in recent years. The Cardinal's commitment to the run game has been relentless, and so has the competition to be the next guy anchoring it each fall.

"I don't know who's ready to get more than their even share," Shaw said. "I don't know that we'll know that, honestly, until we start playing games."

Offensive coordinator Mike Bloomgren said junior Kelsey Young created some separation in spring practices and headed into training camp this week as the slight favorite. But sophomore Barry Sanders — yes, the son of the Hall of Famer with the same name — also is likely to get carries along with junior Remound Wright and senior Ricky Seal.

Somewhere in that foursome — whether it's one player or as a group — the two-time defending Pac-12 champions will need to replace the production Gaffney gave them last season. Gaffney, who didn't become the featured running back until October, ran



MARCIO JOSE SANCHEZ/AP

Stanford has started each season using a committee at running back only to have one take hold of the position, and then depart for the NFL. Barry Sanders, left, and Kelsey Young are among four players competing to anchor the power running game this fall.

for 1,709 yards and 21 touchdowns.

Bloomgren said the competition has been so close that Stanford might truly shuffle running backs all season.

"I'm not sure how we're going to get one runner 20 carries (in a game) this year, as good as these guys have shown to be," Bloomgren said.

None of the four players vying for carries are the traditional up-the-middle power backs Stanford has been known to let loose. They are all about 20 pounds smaller and make-up-miss type of runners.

And their experience is limited.

Young, who had been mostly Stanford's fly sweep specialist, ran for 110 yards and a

touchdown on 14 carries last season. Sanders had five rushes for 34 yards and a touchdown and emerged late last year as a punt returner.

Wright had 102 yards rushing and a touchdown on 20 carries. But he has lost ground in the competition after missing the second half of spring practice serving a suspension for an undisclosed disciplinary violation that will keep him out until next week. And Seal ran for 34 yards on 11 carries.

Shaw said the gap-based running scheme won't change, but Stanford might emphasize different things — such as misdirection plays — to tap into its running backs' strengths. The smash-mouth style will still be the Cardinal's calling card.

"We want to come right at people," Bloomgren said.

The competition has been a typical one in training camp: friendly off the field and fierce on it. But they're all doing what they can to find an edge.

Young said he spent the offseason studying video of Gerhart, Taylor and Gaffney, particularly on how each picked up blocks on passing plays, which Shaw said will be a major factor on who plays.

Sanders bulked up from 185 pounds when he arrived on campus two years ago to 200 pounds now. He also wasn't afraid to call his famous father for advice.

And while they call each other friends, they all want to start over the other.

"The running back position is usually known as a position you have one headline running back or something like that. Just by its nature, you want to be that guy that's headlining," Young said.

Ole Miss OT already a star

BY DAVID BRANDT
The Associated Press

MISSISSIPPI's Laremy Tunsil was one of the Southeastern Conference's best left tackles last season, allowing just one sack in 12 games by combining elite athleticism, intelligence and strength.

Maybe most impressive about his debut season: He was only a teenager.

The 6-foot-5, 305-pound Tunsil just turned 20 last week, but the sophomore is undeniably one of the Rebels' most important players as they try to compete in the SEC's Western Division.

The Lake City, Fla., native was so good, so fast that his name is already appearing at the top of NFL mock drafts for 2016. But Tunsil — who is described as soft-spoken and uncommonly mature by teammates and coaches — brushes aside most compliments.

"I just don't pay attention to that stuff," Tunsil said. "I keep working and I stay humble. I've still got a lot of things to work on."

Tunsil was one of the prized prospects from the Rebels' 2013 recruiting class that also included defensive tackle Robert

in overtime.

Ole Miss guard Justin Bell said Tunsil has an ideal mix of talent and maturity.

"Laremy was coached really well in high school because he came in and knew what to do immediately," Bell said. "And then part of it is just natural ability. He has great bending, footwork. He's just a natural talent — that's what he does."

Ole Miss returns a veteran team this season, which is one reason the Rebels expect to improve on last season's 8-5 record.

But for coach Hugh Freeze, the offensive line is a concern. The Rebels are replacing three starters and the heir apparent at right tackle — sophomore Austin Golson — surprisingly elected to transfer during the spring.

That's why Tunsil's presence at left tackle is so soothing. It is one spot Freeze probably will not have to worry about.

"Obviously we have a special one in Laremy Tunsil," Freeze said. "We hope and pray that he has a healthy and outstanding year."

Tunsil said veterans like Bell were a big reason he had such a successful freshman season. He said Bell's advice was simple — "just keep your head on straight, learn from experience and keep your cool."

The Rebels open the season Aug. 28 against Boise State in Atlanta.

"You're not going to have to worry about us," Bell said. "We take pride in what we do. We're going to work hard this camp and we're using any negative criticism as motivation."



Mississippi OT Laremy Tunsil
BRUCE NEWMAN, OXFORD EAGLE/AP

Nkemdiche and receiver Laquon Treadwell. Charged with protecting quarterback Bo Wallace's blind side, he became a vital contributor almost immediately.

Tunsil's importance was readily apparent late in the season when he left the Egg Bowl in the first half with a knee injury. Without him, the Rebels couldn't move the ball and eventually lost 17-10 to Mississippi State

SPORTS BRIEFS

Tsonga upsets Federer for Rogers Cup title

The Associated Press

TORONTO — Jo-Wilfried Tsonga won the Rogers Cup on Sunday, beating second-seeded Roger Federer 7-5, 7-6 (3) for his fourth straight victory over a higher-seeded opponent.

The 13th-seeded Frenchman won his first ATP Tour title of the season and 11th Overall. He beat top-ranked

Novak Djokovic on Thursday, eighth-seeded Andy Murray on Friday, and seventh-seeded Grigor Dimitrov on Saturday.

"I think for me it's going to be a new motivation because just last year I always lost against those guys and it was really frustrating for me," he said. "Then today a win against (Federer), it's good for me, it's good for my ambition and it's good for my career."

Tsonga improved to 5-11 against Federer.

"I'm working hard, my motivation came back," said Tsonga, who has battled knee problems over the last two years. "I want to win, I want to play my best tennis on the court. And it happened today."

Federer dropped to 2-5 in finals this season, with his victories coming in Dubai and Halle. The Swiss star made several uncharacteristic errors and had a hard time with Tsonga's powerful serve and ground strokes.

In other tennis tournaments:

■ Agnieszka Radwanska beat Venus Williams 6-4, 6-2 on Sunday to win the Rogers Cup title in Montreal.

The third-seeded Radwanska, the first Rogers Cup champion from Poland, picked up her first tournament victory of the year and the \$441,000 winner's prize. The 34-year-old Williams earned \$220,000.

The 25-year-old Radwanska, ranked fifth in the world to Williams' 26th, posted her first Rogers Cup win after twice reaching the semifinals.

PGA Championship TV ratings best in 5 years

NEW YORK — CBS Sports said Rory McIlroy's one-shot victory over Phil Mickelson in the PGA Championship produced the highest overnight ratings in five years.

CBS said the household rating was 6.0 with a 13 share, up 36 percent from a year ago when Jason Dufner beat Jim Furyk at Oak Hill, meaning probably more than 6 million people watched on Sunday. It was the highest rating since a 7.5 and 17 share in 2009 when Y.E. Yang rallied from two shots behind to beat Tiger Woods at Hazlet.

Sunday at Valhalla featured four players with at least part of the lead on the back nine — McIlroy, Mickelson, Rickie Fowler and Henrik Stenson. The round

finished at 8:43 p.m. EDT because of a rain delay earlier Sunday, and McIlroy finished in the dark.

In other golf news:

■ Inbee Park made two long birdie putts on the back nine and finished with a 3-under 68 to remain a stroke ahead after the third round of the Meijer LPGA Classic in Belmont, Mich.

Mattocks scores again in Whitecaps' MLS win

VANCOUVER, British Columbia — Darren Mattocks scored for the fourth time in the past five games to help the Vancouver Whitecaps beat Sporting Kansas City 2-0 on Sunday night. Vancouver (7-4-11) also took advantage of an own goal by Sporting defender Igor Juliao to hand Kansas

City (11-6-6) its first loss in Major League Soccer play since May 31.

Fire 1, Red Bulls 0: Sean Johnson made four saves for his fourth shutout of the season and Mike Magee scored in host Chicago's victory over New York.

Sounders 2, Dynamo 0: Marco Pappa scored in the 69th minute and Gonzalo Pineda converted a penalty kick 6 minutes later as host Seattle beat Houston and snapped a two-game losing streak.

NC State LB Salahuddin to have knee surgery

RALEIGH, N.C. — North Carolina State coach Dave Doeren said junior linebacker M.J. Salahuddin is out indefinitely with a knee injury that will require surgery. Salahuddin started five games at

linebacker last season, tallying 25 tackles and two tackles for loss.

In other college football news:

■ Florida State defensive back Jalen Ramsey was kicked out of practice Sunday after the sophomore was involved in several physical plays, the last ending in quarterback Jameis Winston being knocked to the ground.

Last season, Ramsey started 14 games and became the first freshman to start at cornerback at Florida State since Deion Sanders.

Ramsey had three previous scuffles during the practice session and the final straw came when Ramsey blitzed off the edge and ran through running back Karlos Williams, who was pass blocking, and knocked him into the legs of the reigning Heisman Trophy winner.

Arizona, Cleveland advance to ArenaBowl

PHOENIX — Nick Davila helped two-time defending champion Arizona advance to its third straight ArenaBowl, throwing eight touchdown passes in the Rattlers' 72-56 victory over the San Jose SaberCats on Sunday night in the National Conference Championship game.

Davila was 20-for-34 for 276 yards and also had two 1-yard scoring runs. Rod Windsor had six catches for 107 yards and three touchdowns.

Arizona will face Cleveland in the title game Aug. 23 in Orlando, Fla. The Gladiators beat Orlando 56-46 on Sunday for the American Conference title behind Shane Austin's seven TD passes.

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MLB

Streaking Royals dump Giants for sweep

The Associated Press

KANSAS CITY, Mo. — Alex Gordon is eager for another marketing gimmick.

Gordon and Salvador Perez homered, Danny Duffy pitched into the seventh inning and the Kansas City Royals beat the San Francisco Giants 7-4 Sunday for their seventh consecutive victory.

The Royals gave out 10,000 Gordon bobbleheads for the series finale against San Francisco. Gordon, who played his college ball at Nebraska, also homered on Husker Night on Saturday.

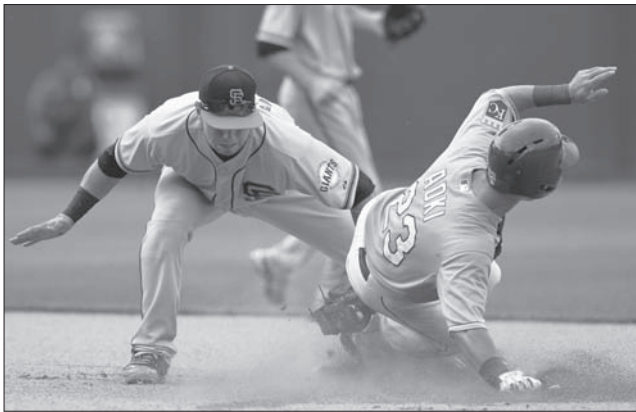
"We've got to think of a promotion for tomorrow to keep it going," Gordon said.

The big weekend is part of a nice roll for Gordon, who is batting .350 (14-for-40) with three homers and seven RBIs in his last 11 games.

"Gordy is not swinging the bat well because it is Husker day or because it was bobblehead day," Royals manager Ned Yost said. "Gordy is swinging the bat well because he is seeing the ball well and putting good swings on it."

The Royals, who won 10 in a row in June, have put together two winning streaks of seven or more games this season for the first time since 1985, the last time they were in the playoffs.

They moved within one-half game of first-place Detroit in the



COLIN E. BRALEY/AP

Kansas City Royals' Norichika Aoki, right, safely steals second base as San Francisco Giants second baseman Joe Panik, left, gets the late throw in the fourth inning of Sunday's game at Kauffman Stadium in Kansas City, Mo. The Royals won 7-4.

AL Central. The Tigers lost 6-5 to the Toronto Blue Jays in 19 innings on Sunday.

Gordon hit a two-run shot off Tim Lincecum (9-8) in a four-run

first. The inning also included Billy Butler's run-producing double and Perez scoring on a wild pitch.

"He was all over the board," Gi-

ants manager Bruce Bochy said of Lincecum. "When he threw a strike or threw an off-speed pitch it was up. He regrouped, but it's tough when you get down four

runs."

Perez homered off Juan Gutierrez with Nori Aoki aboard in a three-run fourth. Aoki reached base four times — two walks and two singles — and stole three bases. Jarrod Dyson went 3-for-3 and also swiped a career-high three bases.

Duffy (7-10) allowed four runs and three hits in 6½ innings in winning back-to-back starts for the first time this season. He walked two in the seventh and both scored on an Andrew Susac's double.

"You are really comfortable on the mound," Duffy said after the four-run first. "The offense just keeps doing their job. It's been a lot of fun to watch."

Lincecum, a two-time Cy Young Award winner, was roughed up for six runs and seven hits in 3½ innings. Lincecum, who is winless since July 11, has a 10.59 ERA in his past four starts, giving up 20 runs and 28 hits in 17 innings.

"You just see how far you can go to give your team a chance to flip back and get in the game," Lincecum said.

Wade Davis pitched a scoreless eighth and Greg Holland worked out of a bases-loaded jam in the ninth while picking up his American League-leading 34th save in 36 opportunities.

Roundup

Bautista's single in 19th lifts Jays past Tigers

The Associated Press

TORONTO — As fans filed out of Rogers Centre following the longest game in Toronto Blue Jays history, Lionel Richie's "All Night Long" played over the sound system.

For a while, it looked like the day game might just go all night.

Jose Bautista's single in the 19th inning drove home the winning run as the Blue Jays rallied from a 5-0 deficit to beat the Detroit Tigers 6-5 on Sunday.

"It was a long day today and coming out on top is the only thing that matters," Bautista said.

Munenori Kawasaki singled off Rick Porcello (13-7) to begin the 19th and advanced to third when second baseman Ian Kinsler couldn't field an errant throw from Porcello on Jose Reyes' sacrifice bunt. Melky Cabrera was intentionally walked to load the bases for Bautista, who ended it with a single to right over the drawn-in outfield, sending his teammates streaming out of the dugout in celebration.

Porcello, who threw 110 pitches over seven innings against the Yankees on Thursday, and tossed a 30-pitch bullpen session Saturday, worked two-plus innings out of the bullpen as the Tigers used eight pitchers.

Porcello called the grounds crew out to work on the mound

in the 17th because he was struggling with his landing spot on the well-worn dirt.

"The holes were so big," Porcello said. "I couldn't really get any kind of footing. I was falling on every pitch. There was nowhere to move around on the rubber. It was one big crater."

Led by a six-inning stint from Chad Jenkins (1-1), Toronto's bullpen threw 15 2-3 innings of scoreless relief. The Blue Jays also used eight pitchers.

"I was just out of gas," Jenkins said. "I haven't thrown six innings all year."

At 6:37, it was the longest game by time in Blue Jays history, easily surpassing a 5:57 game against the Yankees on April 19, 2001.

The Blue Jays used 22 of the 25 players on their roster, with only starting pitchers R.A. Dickey, J.A. Happ and Drew Hutchison staying on the bench. Dickey did go to the bullpen and begin stretching in the 19th.

Braves 3, Nationals 1: Alex Wood set a career high with 12 strikeouts in 7½ innings as Atlanta continued its recent success against Washington. By winning two of three in the weekend series, Atlanta cut Washington's lead to 3½ games in the NL East.

Dodgers 5, Brewers 1: Clayton Kershaw (14-2) won his 14th game to tie for the National League lead as visiting Los Angeles beat Mil-



JON BLACKER, THE CANADIAN PRESS/AP

Toronto Blue Jays' Jose Reyes tags out Detroit Tigers' Miguel Cabrera on an attempted steal during the eighth inning of Sunday's game in Toronto. The Blue Jays won 6-5 in 19 innings.

waukee to avoid a three-game sweep in a matchup of divisional leaders.

Red Sox 3, Angels 1: Yoenis Cespedes hit a three-run homer in the eighth inning and Rubby De La Rosa pitched five-hit ball into the eighth as visiting Boston bounced back from a 19-inning loss with a victory over Los Angeles.

Mariners 4, White Sox 2: Austin Jackson, acquired in a trade with the Detroit Tigers before the deadline, matched a career-high with four RBIs to lead host Seattle over Chicago.

Phillies 7, Mets 6: Ryan Howard had a game-ending single with two outs in the ninth inning after pinch-hitter Marlon Byrd had a tying hit as host Philadelphia pulled out a win over New York.

Reds 7, Marlins 2: Devin Mesoraco hit his third grand slam of the season and drove in six runs as host Cincinnati salvaged the finale of a three-game series against Miami.

Indians 4, Yankees 1: Carlos Carrasco (4-4) rejoined the Cleveland rotation in fine fashion by pitching five dominant innings as

the Indians nearly tossed another shutout at Yankee Stadium, beating host New York.

Twins 6, Athletics 1: Kurt Suzuki hit a tiebreaking double and Josh Willingham added two-run homer in the eighth inning as the Twins ended a 12-game losing streak to host Oakland by beating the Athletics.

Cubs 3, Rays 2 (12): Anthony Rizzo hit a game-ending RBI single in the 12th inning as host Chicago beat Tampa Bay to avoid a three-game sweep.

Cardinals 8, Orioles 3: Rookie Kolten Wong had four hits and scored twice and Peter Bourjos homered as St. Louis beat host Baltimore to avoid a three-game sweep.

Rockies 5, Diamondbacks 3 (10): Corey Dickerson hit a tie-breaking homer with two outs in the top of the 10th inning as visiting Colorado avoided a seventh straight loss to Arizona.

Padres 8, Pirates 2: Tyson Ross recovered from a two-run first to pitch six strong innings and Seth Smith hit a bases-loaded triple, leading visiting San Diego over Pittsburgh.

Rangers 6, Astros 2: Nick Martinez got his first win since May 24 and Adrian Beltre and Chou Shin-soo both homered to lead Texas over host Houston, ending a seven-game skid against their in-state rivals.

MLB/PGA CHAMPIONSHIP

This week in baseball

O's lead unusual as parity tightens divisional races

By NOAH TRISTER
The Associated Press

Baltimore's big home-stand is off to a rousing start, and the most intriguing series may be yet to come.

The Orioles took two of three from St. Louis, and they now lead the AL East by five games over Toronto — the largest division lead of any team in baseball. Manager Buck Showalter's team hosts the New York Yankees for three games starting Monday night. The third-place Yankees are six games behind, so if the Orioles can win this series as well, they'll be in good shape for the stretch.

It says something that Baltimore's five-game lead looks like such an impressive margin. Right now, all of the six division races look like they could go down to the wire. That wasn't the case last year at this time, when Atlanta was running away with the NL East, the Los Angeles Dodgers were comfortably ahead in the NL West and Detroit was taking control of the AL Central.

In 2014, every race is interesting — and they all matter since wild cards have to meet in a one-game playoff just to advance to the Division Series.

Here's the look at the other five division races around baseball:

AL Central: Just over a week after acquiring star left-hander

David Price, Detroit finds itself clinging to a half-game lead over Kansas City. The Royals will have a chance to keep the pressure on if their offense holds up, and although the Tigers have their three Cy Young Award winners in Price, Max Scherzer and Justin Verlander, they have injuries to Anibal Sanchez and Joakim Soria.

AL West: The Athletics and Los Angeles Angels look safely headed for the postseason, but both would like to avoid being a wild card. The teams play seven games against each other this month. The Angels trail Oakland by four games.

NL East: Atlanta lost eight straight, giving Washington a chance to take control of the division, but the Nationals didn't take advantage, losing two of three to the Braves in their recent series. Washington has a 3½-game lead, but also the worst record of any division leader.

NL Central: This one should be fun. Milwaukee leads St. Louis by two games, with Pittsburgh another half-game behind and Cincinnati only five games out in first. Those four teams are all in play for the wild cards too.

NL West: The San Francisco Giants are 20-35 since June 9, and if that keeps up, they probably won't be long for this race. The Los Angeles Dodgers have a 4½-game lead over their rivals to the north.



PATRICK SEMANICK/AP

Orioles second baseman Jonathan Schoop, top, throws to first base after forcing out the St. Louis Cardinals' Mottel Wong, bottom, for a double play on a ground ball hit by Matt Holliday in the fifth inning of an interleague game on Sunday in Baltimore.



MIKE GROLL/AP

Rory McIlroy celebrates after winning the PGA Championship at Valhalla Golf Club on Sunday in Louisville, Ky. McIlroy is the first player since Tiger Woods in 2008 to win three straight tournaments.

Night: McIlroy wins again

Scoreboard

FROM BACK PAGE

"We were cool with hitting the tee shot," Fowler said. "We weren't expecting the approach shots."

Fowler had a 50-foot eagle attempt to tie for the lead. He was well off the mark, and missed the short birdie putt attempt that cost him his third straight runner-up finish in a major.

Phil Mickelson
PGA Championship
runner-up, on
Rory McIlroy

inches of dropping for an eagle that would have tied him for the lead.

Mickelson closed with a 66 and was runner-up for the ninth time in a major.

Fowler became the first player in history to finish in the top five at all four majors without winning one. He closed with a 68 and tied for third with Henrik Stenson, who fell out of a share of the lead by missing a 3-foot par putt on the 14th hole. Stenson shot a 66.

McIlroy hit his second shot into a bunker, and he had to two-putt from 35 feet for the win. He lagged the first one to tap-in range, and the major was his. McIlroy repeatedly pumped his fist before letting out a scream above the gallery that had been treated to one of the best shows ever in a major.

He won his first two majors by eight shots at the 2011 U.S. Open and 2012 PGA Championship. Only a month ago, McIlroy took a six-shot lead into the final round of the British Open and complet-

ed a wire-to-wire win with only a brief scare.

This was his first big test, and it took some of his best golf to come through.

"I think I showed a lot of guts out there to get the job done," he said.

The winning shot turned out to be that 9-iron from the bunker and the birdie putt on the 17th hole that gave him a two-shot lead, the largest margin for anyone on a day when as many as five players claimed a share of the lead.

It might not have been possible without a 3-wood on the par-5 10th hole.

Standing in the fairway, McIlroy watched Fowler drain a 30-foot birdie putt to take the outright lead. McIlroy was 281 yards away, slightly uphill, and his short caught the left side of the fairway and rolled onto the green before stopping 7 feet away for an eagle that got him back in the game.

Mickelson holed a 10-foot birdie putt on the 11th hole to tie for Fowler, and it looked to be his day when he rolled in a 30-foot par putt on the 12th. Stenson hit a bold shot to the island-green 13th for a short birdie to tie for the lead, only to fall back.

McIlroy caught the leaders with a birdie on the 13th.

None of the other contenders made another birdie the rest of the way until it was too late.

All that was left after an exhausting day of raw emotions was the coronation. Not since Woods in 2008 has anyone won three straight tournaments, and they were big ones for McIlroy — the British Open, a World Golf Championship and the PGA Championship. He played them in a combined 48-under par.

"He's better than everyone else right now," Mickelson said.

PGA Championship

Sunday
At Valhalla Golf Club
Louisville, Ky.
Purse: \$10 million
Yardage: 7,458; Par 71

Final	
Rory McIlroy, \$1,800,000	66-67-67-68-268
1. Mickelson, \$1,080,000	69-67-67-66-269
Rickie Fowler, \$590,000	69-66-67-68-270
14. H. Stenson, \$590,000	66-71-66-67-272
15. Jim Furyk, \$367,500	66-68-72-66-272
16. Ryan Palmer, \$357,500	70-67-69-68-272
17. V. Dubuisson, \$263,000	69-68-70-66-273
18. Kevin Chappell, \$191,000	65-74-67-68-274
19. R. Stedekker, \$191,000	73-68-66-67-274
20. Jason Day, \$127,889	69-65-69-72-275
21. G. De La Hoya, \$127,889	69-68-68-70-275
22. B. Koepka, \$127,889	71-71-66-67-275
23. L. Oosthuizen, \$127,889	70-67-67-71-275
24. C. Schwartzel, \$127,889	72-68-69-66-275
25. Adam Scott, \$127,889	71-69-66-69-275
26. Marc Warren, \$127,889	71-71-66-67-275
27. L. Westwood, \$127,889	65-72-69-69-275
28. L. Levy, \$62,000	69-71-68-71-278
29. J. Donaldson, \$84,000	69-70-66-71-276
30. Justin Rose, \$84,000	70-72-67-67-276
31. Joost Luiten, \$78,000	68-69-69-71-277
32. Bill Haas, \$71,000	71-69-68-72-278
33. Jerry Kelly, \$71,000	67-74-70-67-278
34. Kenny Perry, \$71,000	72-69-69-68-278
35. T. Olesen, \$62,000	71-71-70-67-279
36. Danny Willett, \$62,000	71-70-72-70-279
37. D. Summerhays, \$53,000	70-72-68-70-280
38. C. Tringale, \$53,000	69-71-69-69-280
39. Nick Watney, \$53,000	69-69-70-72-280
40. Jonas Blixt, \$42,520	71-70-68-72-281
41. Sergio Garcia, \$42,520	70-72-66-73-281
42. H. Matsuyama, \$42,520	71-72-68-281
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44. Richard Sterne, \$42,520	69-72-70-281
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47. Luke Donald, \$32,000	70-72-68-72-282
48. Brian Harman, \$32,000	71-69-69-73-282
49. Ryan Moore, \$32,000	73-68-67-74-282
50. Koumel Oda, \$32,000	74-68-71-69-282
51. Scott Brown, \$24,792	71-70-70-72-283
52. Matt Jones, \$24,792	68-71-72-72-283
53. R. Karlsson, \$24,792	71-69-74-69-283
54. M. Leishman, \$24,792	71-71-72-69-283
55. Shane Lowry, \$24,792	72-71-74-68-283
56. G. McDowell, \$24,792	73-70-71-69-283
57. P. Perez, \$24,792	73-70-71-72-283
58. Fabrizio Zanotti, \$24,792	71-70-71-71-283
59. E. Molinari, \$24,792	73-73-73-73-283
60. Geoff Ogilvy, \$24,792	69-71-71-72-283
61. Chris Weir, \$24,792	70-72-73-73-283
62. G. Fieck-Castano, \$20,417	70-70-72-283
63. E. Molinari, \$20,417	71-71-71-71-283
64. Ian Poulter, \$20,417	68-73-71-72-284
65. Brendon Steele, \$20,417	71-70-73-73-284
66. Billy Horschel, \$20,417	71-68-69-76-284
67. Patrick Reed, \$20,417	70-71-70-73-284
68. L.S. Heath, \$18,700	71-70-72-78-287
69. Kevin Stadler, \$18,700	71-70-72-78-287
70. Bubba Watson, \$18,700	70-72-73-72-287
71. Shawn Stefani, \$16,200	68-75-72-73-288
72. Zach Johnson, \$17,900	70-72-70-77-289
73. Brendon Todd, \$17,900	70-72-73-75-289
74. Brendon Todd, \$17,900	70-73-75-289
75. R. C. Bell, \$17,500	69-71-74-68-294

AUTO RACING

NASCAR Sprint Cup Series

Allmendinger outduels Ambrose for win

BY JOHN KEKIS
The Associated Press

WATKINS GLEN, N.Y. — AJ Allmendinger made Marcos Ambrose on a two-lap dash to the finish to win the NASCAR Sprint Cup race at Watkins Glen International on a somber Sunday.

The win made his one-car team for JTG Daugherty Racing eligible for the Chase for the Sprint Cup title. Allmendinger held off Ambrose through the first two turns and opened a lead after both cars bumped and won going away.

Three-time Cup champion Tony Stewart pulled out of the race 12 hours after he struck and killed a sprint car driver who had climbed from his car during a race in nearby Canandaigua, N.Y.

Allmendinger offered his condolences to the Ward family after he won, saying "we're a community here, we're thinking about you."

In a statement released by a spokesman, Stewart said: "There aren't words to describe the sadness I feel about the accident that took the life of Kevin Ward Jr. It's a very emotional time for all involved and it is the reason I've decided not to participate in today's race at Watkins Glen. My thoughts

and prayers are with his family, friends and everyone affected by this tragedy."

Regan Smith drove Stewart's car instead and finished 35th after having to start from the back of the 43-car field and getting caught in a late accident.

It was the second straight time Stewart missed the race at The Glen, where he has a NASCAR-record five victories. He suffered a broken leg in a sprint car accident in Iowa days before the Cup race and missed the rest of the season. There were three restarts in the decisive closing laps.

Allmendinger got the jump on Ambrose in the first one with nine laps to go, but Jimmie Johnson was bumped in the first turn and spun him around, collecting two other cars and precipitating a caution.

The race restarted again with five laps left and both Ambrose and Allmendinger were side-by-side through the esses, banging against each other before Ambrose took the lead in the chicane.

Allmendinger wasn't done, regaining the lead on the next lap as he outbraked the Australian in turn 1 before a crash involving Denny Hamlin caused another red flag with four laps left.

The 90-lap race on the 2.45-mile layout was red-flagged for 1 hour, 21 minutes just past the midpoint after a crash involving Ryan Newman and Michael McDowell that involved three other cars.

Allmendinger gained the lead on lap 64 after pit stops, with Kurt Busch and Ambrose close behind.

Ambrose outbraked Busch into Turn 1 for second two laps later and set his sights on Allmendinger, who had a 2-second lead that was wiped out by the late stoppages.

Jeff Gordon started from the pole and led the first 29 laps, holding Ambrose at bay. But Gordon's engine died on lap 50 as he lost all power and couldn't get it refired, spoiling a promising day. Gordon was second to Ambrose after the first round of pit stops and slightly faster when his car stalled.

Defending race winner Kyle Busch had to do a pass-through penalty after a fuel can stuck in his No. 18 Toyota. Back on the track, he shredded his left front tire after contact with Martin Truex Jr. and had to pit again and was out of contention.

Brad Keselowski, who was second the past three races at The Glen, had brake problems and finished five laps back.



DERIK HAMILTON/AP

AJ Allmendinger waves the checkered flag as he celebrates in Victory Lane after winning the NASCAR Sprint Cup Series race at Watkins Glen International on Sunday in Watkins Glen, N.Y.

Stewart's roots grew from sprint car circuit

When Jason Leffler was killed in a sprint car crash last summer, Tony Stewart passionately defended the grassroots racing of America.

When he triggered a 15-car accident a month later at an upstate New York race track that left a young girl with a fractured back, he took the blame and moved on to the next event. And when Stewart flipped his sprint car five times at a race in Canada, he bristled at the suggestion he was taking unnecessary risks in his lucrative career.

Stewart didn't once waver in

In the Pits
his stance, even after breaking his right leg racing his sprint car last August. The injury sidelined him for six months, but his Stewart-Haas Racing organization under considerable strain and again drew criticism over his extracurricular activities.

He remained undeterred, almost defiant. Racing sprint cars is Stewart's passion. It's his hunting and his fishing and his video games all rolled into one.

But now his hobby, racing on tiny little tracks in nondescript

towns outside of a busy NASCAR schedule, is again being called into question. The three-time NASCAR champion struck and killed a 20-year-old racer who had climbed from his car Saturday night to confront Stewart on a New York dirt track following a crash caused by contact between the two cars.

Kevin Ward Jr. and Stewart were racing side-by-side for position early at Canandaigua Motorsports Park when Stewart, on the bottom, seemed to slide toward Ward's car and crowd him toward the wall.

The rear tire of Stewart's car appeared to clip the front tire of Ward's car, and Ward spun into the fence.

Ward, wearing a black firesuit and black helmet, climbed from the car and walked onto the track pointing in Stewart's direction. One car had to swerve to avoid hitting him before Stewart got to Ward. Although the front of Stewart's car passed Ward, it appeared the young driver was struck by the right rear tire and hurtled through the air. Hours later, Stewart pulled out of the race at Watkins Glen. A second year the race would go on without him.

"There aren't words to describe the sadness I feel about the accident that took the life of Kevin Ward Jr.," Stewart said in a statement.

There's no doubt that Stewart, so gruff and easily irritable on the outside but so charitable and compassionate on the inside, is heartbroken. He can be a bull in a china shop on the track, and he'll never escape his quick-tempered, retaliatory reputation.

But Stewart would never intentionally try to hit another human being with his race

car. He may lose his temper and shove a driver or throw a helmet or spin a rival on the track, but Stewart doesn't run over aspiring young shoes.

Stewart spent most of last August bedridden, needing two surgeries to stabilize his leg, was forced to use an ambulance to get to his doctor appointments and, when he could finally get out of bed for a little bit each day, he was confined to a wheelchair. But the whole time he plotted how his accident — he was injured when the torque tube broke and pierced his leg — could improve the safety of sprint car racing.

He made good on his vow, too. When he finally returned to sprint car racing last month, the car he drove had a clamp holding down the torque tube and four different tethers stabilizing it inside the car.

Stewart was devastated at the hit sprint car racing took last summer, when Leffler and two other drivers were killed, followed by his high-profile accidents. There's no chance he would have willingly opened grassroots racing up to another round of scorn.

"He's been great when he's with us. We've been proud to have him in our field, he's raced hard, he's raced clean, he respects what we have to offer," said Chuck Miller, race director Saturday night in New York.

Why, though? Why does Stewart go back to race for \$1,500 here, \$3,000 there, against a field of drivers of varying ages and talent levels? Because his heart is in Lawrenceburg, Ind., New Egypt, N.J., Knoxville, Iowa, Tulsa — all those storied little tracks around the country where the racing is considered real. He shows up for the racing and for the crowd, where many fans get their only shot to see him race in person. They can't afford a NASCAR race.

This is Stewart, the real Stewart. On the eve of the Sprint Cup race at Watkins Glen, one of only five remaining for him to lock up a needed berth in the Chase for the Sprint Cup championship, he was racing on one of those tracks. Why not stay in his lavish motorhome at Watkins Glen and rest up for the big race?

Because there was a sprint car race nearby. Because he had a car calling his name. And because it's his life and he's going to live it anyway he pleases. Take him or leave him, but that's the essence of Smoke. He's true to himself and true to his roots and the one thing he loves most in his life will now haunt him forever.



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PGA CHAMPIONSHIP

Mr. Sunday Night

McIlroy wins PGA in thrilling fashion

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LOUISVILLE, Ky. — The challenge finally arrived for Rory McIlroy, and he was better than ever Sunday to win the PGA Championship.

On a back nine filled with clutch shots and as much tension as a major can provide, McIlroy emerged from a four-man race to outlast Phil Mickelson and the darkness at Valhalla to capture his second straight major.

McIlroy closed with a 3-under 68 and became only the fourth player in the last century of golf to win four majors at 25 or younger. The others were Tiger Woods, Jack Nicklaus and Bobby Jones, three of the game's greatest players.

McIlroy appears on his way to belonging in that group.

"I didn't think in my wildest dreams I'd have a summer like this," said McIlroy, only the seventh player to win the last two

majors of the year. "I played the best golf of my life. I really gutted it out today."

But one of the greatest shows on soggy turf came with a most peculiar ending.

Three shots behind going to the back nine, McIlroy rallied to take the lead and then hit a 9-iron from the fairway bunker to 10 feet for birdie on the 17th hole for a two-shot lead going to the par-5 18th. Because of a two-hour rain delay earlier, darkness was falling quickly and it wasn't certain McIlroy would be able to finish.

McIlroy was allowed to hit his tee shot before Mickelson and Rickie Fowler had reached their drives. Both were only two shots behind, still in the game. McIlroy came within a yard of hitting in a hazard right of the fairway.

Then, the PGA of America allowed McIlroy to hit his second shot. Mickelson and Fowler had to stand to the side of the green.

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Rory McIlroy holds up the Wanamaker Trophy after winning the PGA Championship at Valhalla Golf Club on Sunday in Louisville, Ky. McIlroy joined Tiger Woods, Jack Nicklaus and Bobby Jones as the only players in the last century to win four majors at 25 or younger.

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